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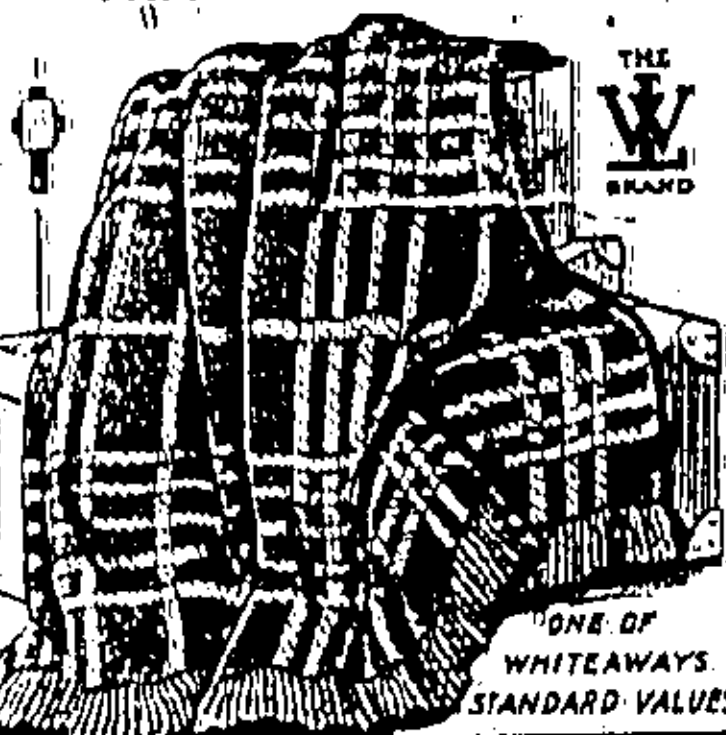
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ANOTHER WARNING.

British Cabinet Minister's Speech.

MARINES EMBARK.

Position As Regards Tanks and Planes.

"We are prepared to negotiate generously, but if necessity is forced on us, we are equally determined to protect British lives and defend British interests"—this is the keynote of an important statement regarding China made by the President of the Board of Trade at the British Industries Fair luncheon.

BRITAIN'S POLICY.

Important Statement.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

The following important statement on the Government's attitude towards the Chinese situation was made by Sir Philip Cunliffe Lister, President of the Board of Trade, at a luncheon in connection with the forthcoming British Industries Fair.

"The objects of British policy throughout the world are peace, progress and trade. Nowhere is this more true than in China."

"The British Government is ready and willing to go very far in meeting Chinese proposals in negotiations which we are anxious to pursue. We are prepared to go much farther than many observers of the situation to-day may perhaps think justifiable."

"But we are prepared to go to that length because we hope and believe that the national qualities and commercial standards which our traders have experienced in China in years past represent the true national character of the Chinese people, and that these qualities will assert themselves and establish peace and order and confidence."

"It is in that hope and belief that our efforts are made. We have made it plain that we are prepared to treat frankly and

YANGTZE POSITION.

No Local Navy News
To-day.

The Hong Kong naval authorities have received no wireless news from the North, so it is presumed the Yangtze situation remains unchanged.

generously if China will meet us in that spirit, but we have felt it our duty to make it no less plain that concessions cannot be made to force.

"We are prepared to negotiate generously, but if necessity is forced upon us, we are equally determined to protect British lives and to defend British interests.—British Wireless Service."

A Reuter cable giving the same message reports the President of the Board of Trade as adding: "And in defending British lives and interests we are defending the best interests of China, for British trade interests and Chinese trade interests are so interlocked that they are one."

KISSES FOR MARINES.

High Spirits at Chatham.

London, Jan. 19. The Chatham and Plymouth contingents of marines, each of 800, left for Portsmouth to embark for China.

The streets of Chatham were lined with thousands of people. As the marines passed through the centre of the town headed by a band, hundreds of unemployed rushed out of the Labour Exchange and cheered. While women and girls threw kisses to the marines, who were in the highest spirits, singing as the train left.—Reuter.

MARINES DRAFT RECORD.

Football Circles' Consternation.

London, Jan. 19. Portsmouth football circles are in consternation owing to the imminent departure of a thousand marines to China as their teams are in three semi-finals, besides fixtures in the Hampshire Senior League only three footballers will be left.

It is noteworthy that the draft will be the largest sent from

Eastney Barracks, exceeding by two or three hundreds the men sent to defend Antwerp at the beginning of the great war.—Reuter.

TANKS AND PLANES.

Official Statement.

London, Jan. 19.

With reference to the newspaper statement that the Government has decided to dispatch a number of tanks and more aeroplanes to China, Reuter learns officially that no orders have been given to dispatch troops or tanks.

Moreover, the transport arrangements mentioned earlier are only a precautionary measure in the event of a decision to move troops.

The Air Ministry has informed Reuter that it is unable to make a statement about aeroplanes at present.

It is noteworthy that the above does not refer to marines.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S ATTITUDE.

Welcomed in London.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

Statements of Japan's attitude towards the Chinese situation which were made in the Diet by the Prime Minister and the Foreign Secretary are welcomed here.

Both statesmen emphasised that while adhering to a policy of absolute non-interference in the internal administration of China, the Japanese Government would always exercise its best care for the protection of the rights and interests of Japan and her nationals in the neighbouring Republic.

"These elementary rights cannot be abridged or modified by political or social changes that may take place in China, nor are we informed so far that any faction there is denying such rights."

"Obviously the control over activities of lawless elements in the various localities at present is inadequate, but we hope that such irregularities will be gradually corrected with the restoration of normal conditions."—British Wireless Service.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

British Cruisers Depart.

Rugby, Jan. 19. The warships Frobenius, Delhi, Danae and Dragon, of the First Cruiser Squadron in the Mediterranean Fleet, commanded by Rear Admiral Boyle, leave Malta to-day for Shanghai.

The Dauntless, the Squadron's fifth cruiser, and the hospital ship Maine, sail later. As a further preparation against emergencies, a battalion of one thousand Marines leaves Portsmouth for China in a few days aboard the steamship Zealand.—British Wireless Service.

Malta, Jan. 19. The first Cruiser Squadron, except the Dauntless, left for Shanghai this morning.

They had a very hearty send off by His Majesty's ships in harbour, the crews of which manned ship and cheered lustily.—Reuter.

Forces Considered Adequate.

London, Jan. 19. In addition to two Union Castle vessels, the Government has chartered the 11,000 ton Zealand, which is stated will probably be used to transport a thousand Marines now ready for Shanghai.

It is not intended at present to send any additional naval forces to the Far East and the two requisitioned Union Castle ships are likely to be used to convey troops to Gibraltar to replace the Suffolk, now on the way to China.

The forces already on the Yangtze, together with those proceeding or ordered to China, are re-

CHINA'S WARS.

General Revolts Against
Wu Pei-fu.

OVERTURES TO SOUTH.

Peking, Jan. 19.

Many vernacular papers confirm the report that General Wei Yi-san has rebelled against Marshal Wu Pei-fu and has entered into negotiations with the South. Wei Yi-san's forces are near Yencheng. The loyal Wu Pei-fu forces are preparing to attack them.

Owing to this development in Honan, Marshal Chang Tso-lin, who had intended going to Mukden on Jan. 20, has postponed his departure from Peking.—Reuter.

Why The Trouble.

The revolt of General Wei (pronounced Ngai in Cantonese) was referred to in yesterday's "China Mail."

It is interesting to note that he joined Wu Pei-fu through a previous revolt.

General Yang Yu-ting, now chief-of-staff to Marshal Chang Tso-lin,

SHANGHAI SURTAX.

A Million a Month For
Sun Chuan-fang.

Shanghai, Jan. 19.

It is estimated that the surtax at Shanghai alone will bring in about a million taels a month to Sun Chuan-fang.—Reuter.

once advanced down to Shanghai but was pushed out by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang. Yang Yu-ting fought several rearguard actions with success and then, accused among others, General Wei Yi-san of not helping him against the common foe.

Squabble Over Spoils.

Subsequently a "big" general rebelled against Fengtien. This man, Kuo Sun-hing, was Wei Yi-san's chief. When Kuo Sun-hing had been beheaded for treachery, Wei Yi-san took over his forces—with the best equipment in the Fengtien Army—and joined Wu Pei-fu, there by causing much bitterness between Wu Pei-fu and Chang Tso-lin.

Political gossip says that Chang Tso-lin asked Wu Pei-fu to keep Wei Yi-san's men but to return to him their arms and equipment.

Political Intricacies.

In the war against the South, Wei Yi-san did nothing and Wu Pei-fu is now trying to disarm him following. This trouble means that Wu Pei-fu's offensives on either the Cantonese or the Kuomintang are held up meanwhile.

Chang Tso-lin's interest may possibly, therefore, be personal rather than political, as Wei Yi-san formerly commanded one of his Fengtien divisions.

CANTON'S RETREAT.

Northerners Recapturing Chekiang Province.

Shanghai, Jan. 15.

Following up the capture of Yenchow, the forces of Marshal Sun Chuan-fang are outside Lanchi, the last Cantonese stronghold in Chekiang, ready to launch an attack which may sweep the invaders completely out of the province.

Marshal Sun's troops under Colonel Han Kwang-yu captured Yenchow on January 12 and drove the Cantonese back to Lanchi, where it is expected a stand will be made preparatory to the arrival of reinforcements ordered there from Nanchang and district by General Chang Kai-shek, the Cantonese leader.

Pacification of the Ningpo and Shaoching districts where many cities have gone over to the south, continues. Marshal Sun's forces marching on Ningpo after their recent occupation of Shaoching. Complete disintegration of the so-called independence movement is expected to follow the capture of Ningpo.

General Chow Yu-jen's troops are reported to be marching on Ningpo to help his chief, Marshal Sun. General Chow left Taichow at the head of a big army on January 9, after raising money in Taichow and leaving 2,000 men to hold the city in case of trouble.

garded as adequate for the task of protection.—Reuter.

Anglo-French Conversations.

Paris, Jan. 19. According to the newspapers, a conversation was held yesterday between M. Briand and Lord Crewe connected with the situation in China.

"Le Journal" is of opinion that Britain is now inclining towards an attitude of prudent expectancy, supported by adequate protective

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MOB OUTRAGE.

Missions Looted At
Foochow.

ORPHANS 'UP FOR SALE.'

The "Hai Ching" arrived here yesterday afternoon from Foochow and Amoy with five Spanish Fathers of the Spanish Dominican Mission, five American Fathers of the American Mission, ten Spanish and two Filipino Sisters from the same Mission and six French Sisters from the convent of Sainte Enfante.

The refugees, who were met by Bishop Valtorta, Father G. M. Spada and other Fathers of local procurations, had graphic stories to tell of the wholesale looting of mission property at Foochow and the taking away of 300 orphans from the Spanish Dominican Orphanage, many of whom were babies and are alleged to have been "on sale" by the mob for \$3 whilst the elder children are stated to have been sold to houses of ill-fame.

Serious Amoy Situation.

After escaping to, and boarding the "Hai Ching," the missionaries and sisters had every reason to believe that they were safe, but students who had led the rioting in Foochow had concealed themselves on board and created trouble. In order to avoid serious trouble Father Benedict and three children who had accompanied the refugees left the ship and accompanied the students who had demanded that they should be "handed over."

The British, American and French consuls were present at Amoy during the incidents there but in view of the menacing attitude of a crowd of nearly 5,000 Chinese collected on the Bund in support of the students, and in the absence of a British warship in port, they had no alternative but to allow the departure of the Father and the children.

Owing to the trouble and the possibility of a repetition, the "Hai Ching" came straight from Amoy to Hong Kong, missing Swatow. High tributes are paid to the conduct at Amoy of Captain Stewart and the officers of the "Hai Ching."

Refugees' Stories.

A well-begone appearance was presented by the Fathers and Sisters as they were greeted on arrival in Hong Kong. Grasping hastily packed hand grips containing the barest essentials, some of the sisters still in garb which they had thought it necessary to disguise themselves, the missionaries (most of the Fathers unshaven) bore evidence in their demeanour of the severe strain through which they had passed.

They themselves do not appear to have been in danger of their lives, although attempts appear to have been made to turn back the Sisters as they were escaping from the convent of Sainte Enfante. The temper of the mob was such, however, that the missionaries had reason to fear the worst at the time. Now they are of the opinion that the rioting was merely part of the campaign to clear Foochow and the surrounding district of missionaries and that there was no intention of bringing on them personal harm.

Fantastic Allegations.

The trouble commenced on Friday last, according to information given to Press representatives on the arrival of the refugees. Certain Chinese of the student type walked into the Spanish Dominican Orphanage uninvited and demanded an investigation into conditions there. Some of the allegations were wild and fantastic including, an accusation that children were being hocked out to pieces and their eyes gouged out for the purpose of making foreign medicine!

The students secured the services of two Chinese doctors, one of whom was stated to have been educated in Japan. After their examination, the students left, but there were comings and goings of these and others during the morning and afternoon of that day and at five o'clock they returned supported by a mob including several soldiers.

Mob Desecration.

The Catholic Church and residence nearby the Orphanage

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"SUNNING" PIRACY.

How the Boats Were
Fired.

4 OFFICERS' EVIDENCE.

At the continuation of the "Sunning" piracy case this morning at the Criminal Sessions, before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, Chief Officer Hurst continued his evidence, referring to "long range sniping" throughout the night.

It was about 2 a.m. that No. 5 lifeboat went away and two and a half hours later that the No. 6 lifeboat followed. Both lifeboats on the starboard side had been destroyed by fire, also No. 4 on the port side.

No. 2 boat was just beginning to catch. Witness did not know how the fire began. He just saw a glow around about his room. At 5 a.m. No. 2 boat was launched and the lady passenger, 2nd Officer, 3rd Engineer, wireless operator and two quartermasters went with it. It was intended that the boat should just stand by in case of emergency but the rope broke and the boat was cast adrift, afterwards being picked up by the Norwegian steamer which transferred them to the "Verity" which brought them to Hong Kong.

Prisoners Identified.

Witness recognised No. 20 as one of the men who had been "knocked out" on the bridge. No. 4 he identified as one whom he had seen on the bridge armed with a rifle. Witness also identified Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

Cross-examined by Mr. Sheldon, witness said he did not remember having said at the Magistrate's that No. 1 prisoner had an automatic and No. 2 a Smith Wesson. Yesterday he had stated that they were both armed with automatics. He might have said at the

WORK AT HOME.

Decrease of 63,000 in The
Unemployed.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

The latest weekly return regarding unemployed shows a decrease of 63,339, the total being 1,432,000. This is 210,587 more than a year ago.—British Wireless Service.

Magistrate that they were both armed with revolvers.

Mr. Nihil pointed out that witness had described a Colt pistol which had been handed to one of the officers as an automatic. The mistake, if it was one, with regard to the Police Court evidence, was therefore easily explainable.

Mr. Orr, the 2nd Engineer, also gave evidence, stating that on the morning of the piracy he was struck on the back of the head by a water bottle as he was leaving the cabin. The No. 7 prisoner was the man who had struck him. He was rather dazed and remained in the Chief Officer's cabin for some time.

Smoke From Boats.

After dinner he went to the Captain's cabin and whilst there saw several pirates but could not recognise them in Court. He spent from 8 to 12 in the Captain's cabin. Shortly after midnight when there was firing witness saw the pirate in the chart room run out on deck and then saw him fall down. Witness was present on the bridge when further attacks were repelled by the officers.

Asked if he knew how the lifeboats took fire, witness said that he saw the covers being taken off by certain of the pirates who then got inside. When they left he saw smoke rising from the boats. Later, witness heard someone shout that if the officers gave up their arms the pirates would help in quelling the fire and heard the Captain's reply that he would not do so.

Witness identified Nos. 1 and 3 prisoners.

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BELGIUM'S PROVISIO.

Brussels, Jan. 19. It is announced that retrocession of Belgian concessionary rights at Tientsin will only be made on the conclusion of a Sino-Belgian treaty of commerce.—Reuter.

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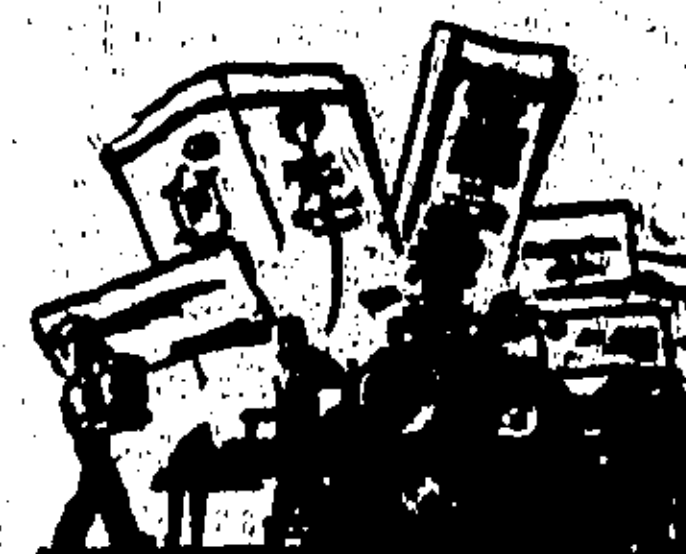
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Hong Kong, 18th January, 1927.

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NOTICES.

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Hong Kong, 18th January, 1927.

NOTICE.

THE MARRIAGE REGISTRY has been transferred from the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs to the LAND OFFICE, Supreme Court, Hong Kong.

PHILIP JACKS,
Registrar of Marriages,
The Marriage Registry
Supreme Court,
Hong Kong.
18th January, 1927.

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B. L. LEWIS,
Director.
Hong Kong, 12th January, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 14th January, 1927.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING.

THE DATE for the closing of entries has been POSTPONED until WEDNESDAY, 26th January, 1927, at 5 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 14th Jan., 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ENTRIES for the Forthcoming Races close on WEDNESDAY, 26th January, 1927, at 5 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hong Kong Club or Linstead & Davis.

Hong Kong, 14th January, 1927.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD. on THURSDAY, 27th January, 1927, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 14th January to THURSDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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DIVERS GET RELICS.

ARMS FOUND IN FRENCH FRIGATE.

For 234 years a remarkable museum of seventeenth century French naval armament has rested deep in Cherbourg harbour, above which ocean liners and fishing boats have passed for ages unaware of the historic treasures buried thirty fathoms below.

Only a few weeks back divers working on new harbour improvements chanced to stumble on the long-lost subterranean museum—in reality the fifty-gun frigate *Triomphant*, pride of Louis XIV's navy.

The divers entered the shot-ridden hull and found there musket-covered guns, which had been silent and forgotten since that day in 1692 when they poured a final vain broadside against the victorious British fleet.

Louis XIV Makes a Mistake.

Admiral Tourville, with a French fleet of forty-four frigates, opposed for a day and a night the British-Dutch armada, numbering ninety men-o'-war.

Louis XVI had ordered battle, and Tourville gave it, regardless of the odds, in a hopeless cause. Almost every French ship was sunk or badly battered. Five in trying to escape were pursued and sunk by twenty British ships.

Frigate Sank.

Triumphant, seriously battered, was carried by a favourable wind to Cherbourg harbour, but sank as it was entering.

Divers are daily bringing up additional treasures from the frigate's hull, including casemates, cannon and seventeenth century muskets.

All the relics will be classified properly and mounted to commemorate the bravery of the French Navy in Louis' reign.

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WORLD THEATRE.

"MANHATTAN" TO-DAY TILL SATURDAY.

All who enjoy real fast-moving action-drama will be in their glory when witnessing "Manhattan." The story is an adaptation by Paul Sloane and Frank Tuttle of the novel, "The Definite Object," by Jeffery Farnol. The star has the role of Peter Minuit whose great-great-great-grandfather purchased the island of Manhattan from the Indians and Peter is all for giving it back to them.

You take it from this that Minuit is slightly bored with life. He is just that—a millionaire bachelor who has everything in life except that which he craves most—action, adventure, a definite object, something to live for, to strive to be worthy of. He finds action in New York's Hall's Kitchen and a definite object in the beautiful sister of a youthful yegg whom he befriends.

Jacqueline Logan has the leading feminine role opposite the star. Gregory Kelly, George Seigmann, and Gunboat Smith also have important parts. Oscar Figman, Edna May Oliver and Alice Chapin complete the cast. R. H. Burnside directed.

AT THE "STAR."

"FROM THE GROUND UP" TO-DAY TO SATURDAY.

One of the happiest and breeziest comedies in which laughing Tom



As recently reported in the cables by Reuter, Wallace M. Probasco, New York society man, was about to return to his wife, with whom he is shown at the top, when Mrs. Robert H. Ingersoll, wife of the watch king, shot him and killed herself in her New York apartment. The Ingersolls are shown below. Mrs. Probasco is the daughter of "Bob" Ingersoll, the atheist, but was not related to the watch man.

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Colombo, Suez and Port Said. Monday, 31st January.
ATLAS MARU Monday, 31st January.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore,
Colombo, Durban & Capetown. Tuesday, 1st March.
MONTVIDEO MARU Tuesday, 1st March.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo. Sunday, 23rd January.
MANSHU MARU Sunday, 23rd January.
CELEBES MARU Sunday, 30th January.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND
MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo. Saturday, 22nd January.
CHICAGO MARU Saturday, 22nd January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon. Tuesday, 25th January.
SEATTLE MARU Tuesday, 25th January.
BANGKOK—Via Saigon. Sunday, 30th January.
SEKOW MARU Sunday, 30th January.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Shanghai and Japan
Ports. Thursday, 27th January.
LONDON MARU (From Shanghai) Thursday, 27th January.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI. Saturday, 22nd January.
MENADO MARU Saturday, 22nd January.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco and Panama. Thursday, 10th February.
HAYRE MARU (From Shanghai) Thursday, 10th February.
JAPAN PORTS. Tuesday, 25th January.
SANUKI MARU Tuesday, 25th January.
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY. Sunday, 23rd January, 10 a.m.
KAIJO MARU Sunday, 30th Jan., 10 a.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY. Thursday, 27th Jan., 8 a.m.
KOTSU MARU Thursday, 27th Jan., 8 a.m.
TAKAO & KEELUNG. Saturday, 29th January.
BATAVIA MARU Saturday, 29th January.
DAIREN Via CHEFOO & TSINGTAO. Middle of January.
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Two big liners are on their way
to Hong Kong, each with several
hundreds of the round-the-world
tourists.
Yesterday the "California" sailed
from New York with 350 tourists.
She is coming to Hong Kong by way
of the Panama Canal being due in
on March 9. She will stay four
days inclusive.

Although the "Resolute" left New
York earlier she will be here later.
The 425 tourists on her are not due
till March 26 and her stay in Hong
Kong will also be for four days.
The "Resolute's" journey is longer
as she is coming eastwards, via the
Suez Canal.

Both batches will be under the
care of the Hong Kong & Shanghai
Hotels, Ltd., and Mr. J. P. Bourne,
the Superintendent, will be in
charge of arrangements.

PACIFIC LINE.

N.Y.K. BOATS TO CALL AT
KEELUNG.

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha s.s.
"Korea Maru" and "Siberia
Maru" (on the San Francisco
run) will call regularly at
Keelung in Formosa, on their
outward and homeward voyages,
commencing with the s.s. "Korea
Maru" which sails hence from
Hong Kong on February 6.

These steamers take only 30
hours to go from Hong Kong to
Keelung. They then proceed to
Honolulu and San Francisco via
Shanghai and Japan ports, with-
out any alteration in the sched-
uled dates. Accordingly facilities
will be afforded to passengers
and shippers who are interested
in the port of Keelung.

SHIPS IN PORT.

At 9 a.m. to-day the following
numbers of vessels were in
port:—

British	26
Panama	1
Norwegian	8
German	2
Japanese	5
Chinese	14
Dutch	6
Portuguese	3
Danish	1

Total 65
Arrivals 21:—3 British (Luchow,
Munang, Hydrang, Haiching,
Soochow, Chaksang, Machao, En-
press of Russia), 4 Japanese
(Menado Maru, Kajo Maru, Ghes
Maru, Chukwa Maru), 2 Norwegian
(Promise, Sandviken), 4 Chinese
(Derwent, Tak Hing, Poo Sang,
Feng Lee), 1 Danish (Danmark), 1
French (Sphinx), 1 German
(Ruh).
Departures 19:—7 British (Kut-
sang, New Mathilde, Talkoo Wan
Yi, Luchow, Hupeh, Haimun,
Kohoyu Maru, Talkwa Maru,
Amazona Maru, Aki Maru), 1 Nor-
wegian (Kronviken), 4 Chinese
(Tak Hing, Wing Wo, Cheung
Kong, Wing Hong), 1 French
(Sphinx), 1 American (West Car-
malna).

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashmir" left
Shanghai for this port on Jan. 18, at
8.30 p.m., and is due here to-mor-
row, at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Deita" left
Singapore for this port on Jan. 16,
at 6 a.m., and is due here to-mor-
row, at about 10 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Kashgar" left
Singapore for this port on Jan. 16,
at noon, with the outward English
mail, and is due here to-mor-
row, at about 6 a.m.

The m.v. "Canton" (Swedish East
Asiatic Co., Ltd.) left Antwerp on
December 13, 1926, and is due here
to-mor-
row.

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" will leave
Amoy for this port on Jan. 22, p.m.,
and is due here on Jan. 23, at about
4 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of
Asia" left Yokohama on Jan. 16, and
is due at Vancouver on Jan. 24.

The Ben Lind s.s. "Benlawers"
from Leth, Middlebro, Antwerp,
London, Straits and Philippines, is
due to arrive here on Jan. 28.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

Consignees of cargo ex s.s.
"Walton Hall" are reminded that
goods remaining undelivered after
Jan. 24, will be assessed.

Consignees of cargo ex m.s.
"Danmark" are reminded that goods
remaining undelivered after Jan. 25,
will be subject to rent.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS.

Saloon passengers who arrived at
Hong Kong from Manila by the
"Empress of Russia" on Jan. 19
were:—Mr. Kon Co, Mr. O. A. Lee,
Mr. K. O. Lim, Mr. B. C. Morton, Mr.
S. Peabody, Mr. G. Peabody, Mr. L.
Willott, Deacones K. S. Shaw.

"Though" saloon passengers
were:—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lindgren,
Mrs. J. W. G. McNab,
Miss M. McNab.

NATIONAL TRIBUTE.

MERCHANT SERVICE WAR
MEMORIAL.

SITE ON TOWER HILL.

The House of Commons has
seldom shown greater unanimity of
opinion than when leave was granted
to the Labour member for
Whitechapel and St. George's (Mr.
Gosling) to introduce a Bill to con-
fer powers upon the Imperial War
Graves Commission in regard to the
erection of a memorial to the officers
and men of the Mercantile Marine
who lost their lives in the late war.
The Bill was backed by the Prime
Minister, Mr. Lloyd George, and Mr.
Ramsay MacDonald, in addition to
Mr. Gosling, and the granting of the
leave sought was announced by
cheers from all quarters of the
House. It was pointed out by Mr.
Gosling that the Royal Navy had
memorials at Chatham, Portsmouth
and Plymouth, but nowhere was
there a National monument to the
men of the Merchant Service. A
design which had been prepared by
Sir Edwin Lutyens has been
approved, and the memorial will be
erected on Tower Hill, whose
trustees have approved the design.
On the memorial will be engraved
the names of the 12,000 ships,
officers and seamen who had given
their lives for their country.
The cost of erecting and main-
taining the monument will be met
out of the funds of the War
Graves Commission, which were
contributed in part by our own
Governments of the Dominions. It
was originally intended that the
memorial should be erected on the
Thames Embankment near the Old
Temple Pier, but the site on Tower
Hill was considered to be even more
appropriate.

Memorial to 12,000 Officers & Men.
Mr. Gosling, when asking leave
to introduce the Bill in the House
of Commons, said that the object
of the Bill was to enable the com-
mission to use a site on Great Tower
Hill for the erection of a memorial
to those members of the British
Merchant Service who were "mis-
sing" in the war. There were 12,000
officers and men of the Mercantile
Marine, many of them from the
Dominions overseas, who lost their
lives at sea through enemy action,
and had no graves but the sea. It
was only by a memorial of this kind
that they could be individually com-
memorated. The Royal Navy had
its memorials at Portsmouth, Ply-
mouth, and Chatham but, no
corresponding national tribute had
yet been paid to the "missing" of
the Merchant Service, who, by their
gallantry and self-sacrifice, did
their part in maintaining the food
supplies of the country. The public
demeanor that this task should be
undertaken was very widespread
and pressing. The Commission,
after consulting the various or-
ganisations interested in the wel-
fare of merchant seamen, and after
considering many different sugges-
tions as to the form which the
memorial should take, found that
the most generally acceptable solu-
tion was the erection of a monu-
ment on some prominent site in
London.

A design had been prepared by
Sir Edwin Lutyens. The governing
consideration in his design had
been to provide, in a beautiful set-
ting, space on which each of 12,000
names would be inscribed, as in
the case of the naval and military
memorials, and in such a way that
they might be easily read by the
relatives and the public generally.
The entire cost of building the
memorial and maintaining it after-
wards would be met by the Com-
mission from its own funds. It was
noteworthy that the Governments
of the Dominions overseas, as well
as that of the United Kingdom,
contributed to those funds, and
were thus, in a practical sense, as-
sociated with the object of the
Bill.

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eminently suitable for such a pur-
pose, if only because of its prox-
imity to London's shipping and its
comparative quiet. The ground
was Crown land, but, under an old
statute of 1797 the management of
the Tower Gardens was exercised
by a body of trustees representative
of the Corporation of Trinity House
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and premises abutting on Tower
Hill, who enjoyed the right to use

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assent were the Borough of
Stepney—the site being just within
their boundary—and the Lord
Mayor of London. The London
County Council were not thought to
have any special interests involved,
but they had been informed and
had raised no objection. The com-
mission was not aware of any op-
position or of the likelihood of any
opposition from any quarter. This
was a bill the object of which was
far above party, and it had har-
reaching support, both in Britain
and the Dominions. (Cheers.)
Leave to bring in the bill was
granted amid general cheers. The
bill, Mr. Gosling said, was backed
by the Prime Minister, Mr.
Lloyd George, and himself. It was
brought in and read the first time,
amid further cheers.
The garden under the all-in ques-
tion. The memorial would have
separate entrances, direct from the
public footway, which skirted the
garden, so as to enable members of
the public to have free access dur-
ing the daytime without interfering
with the users of the garden. The
Tower Hill trustees had approved
the design and had agreed, on cer-
tain conditions which had been
accepted by the War Graves Com-
mission, not to oppose the grant of
Parliamentary powers to enable the
memorial to be built, but they had
no power to sanction the building
unless an Act of Parliament was
passed. The Commissioners of
Crown Lands had likewise agreed
not to oppose a Bill, and the First
Commissioner of Works had
approved the scheme. Other
authorities who had expressed their

FINNISH MARITIME LAWS.

Between 1921 and the present
time considerable alterations
have been made in the maritime
legislation of Finland, the old
regulations under the domination
of Russia having been found to be
very defective. Much work,
however, still remains to be done
as for instance in the case of
shipbuilding rules, the manning
of the ship, the safety of life on
board, ship boilers, etc. The new
shipping board is divided into
three departments and deals with
pilots and lighting, ship in-
spection, etc. An important mea-
sure concerning the inspection of
merchant ships was adopted
through the convention entered
into between Finland, Sweden,
Norway, Denmark and Iceland
regarding the seaworthiness of
ships and their equipment, and
this was ratified by a decree
issued at the end of last June.

The right of foreigners to
carry on shipping services be-
tween foreign ports and Finland
is not restricted by any other
regulations than those appertain-
ing generally to Finnish vessels,
as for instance pilotage, general
dues and port charges. On the
other hand special permission
must be obtained to carry on
shipping business in Finland,
while services as between Finnish
ports exclusively is reserved to
native ships.

George Geary, the Leicester-
shire cricket, wrote home from
India to say that he has been
robbed of his wallet and 50
rupees. It will be remembered
that in London last year during
the final Test match Geary was
robbed of another wallet contain-
ing a considerable sum of money.

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KIDDERPORE	5,234	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
DELTA	5,097	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
KALYAN	6,741	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
NELLORE	8,852	2nd March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MANTUA	10,902	5th March	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KASIBGAR	9,005	12th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
NAGPORA	5,283	13th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
NYANZA	7,223	16th March	Marseilles and London
MONGOLIA	10,504	19th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MACEDONIA	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London
DEVANHA	8,155	9th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
KARMALA	9,124	16th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
DELTA	5,097	27th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
MALWA	10,941	30th April	Marseilles and London
KHYBER	9,114	7th May	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & B'way
KHIVA	9,155	14th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
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SHIRALA	7,841	1st March	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ARAFURA	6,000	28th Jan.	Manila, Kolambagan, Thursday
TANDA	6,566	4th March	Island, Townsville, Brisbane
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DELTA	8,097	21st Jan. 4 p.m.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KASHGAR	9,005	22nd Jan. 6 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TALMA	10,000	27th Jan. 10 a.m.	Moji and Kobe
MANTUA	10,902	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NELLORE	8,853	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
SHIRALA	7,841	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
NAGPORA	5,283	7th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TANDA	5,097	10th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
MONGOLIA	10,504	18th Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe
NYANZA	7,223	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
TAKLWA	10,000	18th Feb.	Kobe
MACEDONIA	11,120	4th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHYBER	9,114	5th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ST. ALBANS	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
KARMALA	9,124	18th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
MALWA	10,941	2nd April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
DELTA	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
ARAFURA	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama
NELLORE	8,853	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
KHIVA	9,135	15th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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TO-DAY'S MEETING.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN
COMPANY.

NEW SET OF ARTICLES.

New Articles of Association were
finally approved of by the second
extraordinary general meeting of
the China Provident Loan and
Mortgage Co., Ltd., held this afternoon
in St. George's Building.

The purpose of this meeting was
to receive a report of the proceed-
ings of the extraordinary meeting
held on Jan. 4, and to confirm, if
thought fit, as a special resolution,
the extraordinary resolution passed
at the previous meeting, adopting
new Articles of Association in sub-
stitution of all previous Articles of
Association.

In the proposed new Article No.
37, the number of Directors is in-
creased from seven to nine, and in
Article 89, the remuneration of
\$7,000 per annum is increased to
\$9,000 per annum—these changes
having been incorporated by an
amendment passed on Jan. 4.

Mr. R. G. Sheehan (chairman)
presided, supported by Sir Robert
Ho Tung, Mr. C. A. da Rosa, Mr.
A. L. Alves, Mr. D. Tindling (mem-
bers of the Consulting Committee),
Mr. B. L. King (secretary and
manager) and Mr. W. E. L. Shenton
(solicitor).

There were about a hundred
shareholders present.

Chairman's Speech.

The Secretary, having read the
Notice convening the Meeting, the
Chairman said:—

The object for which this meet-
ing has been called is, as indicated
in the notice which the Secretary
has just read, for the purpose of
confirming as a special resolution
the resolution which was passed as
an extraordinary resolution at such
meeting. That resolution, as you
will remember, concerned the ap-
proval of the draft new Articles of
Association of the Company.

You will also remember that at
the above mentioned meeting I ex-
plained to you why your Consulting
Committee thought it essential to
alter the Articles of Association,
and I do not consider it necessary
to dwell further therewith, except to
add that at the meeting in question
the draft new Articles of Associa-
tion was unanimously approved,
and that a resolution recording
such approval was unanimously
passed as an extraordinary resolu-
tion.

To Comply With Law.

Under the Hong Kong Companies
Ordinance, however, it is necessary
that the approval of the new Ar-
ticles of Association shall be signi-
fied by special resolution, and con-
sequently this meeting has been
convened for the purpose of en-
abling the extraordinary resolution
above referred to be confirmed as a
special resolution. I accordingly
beg to propose the confirmation as a
special resolution namely:—

That the regulations contained
in the printed document submit-
ted to the Meeting and for the
purpose of identification sub-
scribed by the Chairman thereof
be approved and adopted as the
Articles of Association of the
Company in substitution for the
Articles of Association now in force,
to the exclusion of all existing
Articles thereof.

I shall be glad if some share-
holder will kindly second that.

Mr. C. A. da Rosa seconded and
the motion was carried.

PIPS!

A LUKONG AND HIS
MEMORY.

The number of "pips" contained
in various hands which figured in
a game of "Sam Kung" formed
the major portion of the evi-
dence in a Cantonese lukong when
six men were charged with gam-
bling before Mr. R. E. Lindsell
at the Central Magistracy this
morning.

Witness' remarkable memory
of each stage of the game which,
he said, he had watched un-
known to the players was not,
however, supported with the
result that three of the defend-
ants were discharged. The re-
maining three, who failed to put
in an appearance were not so
lucky, their bail of \$5 each being
estreated at the commencement
of the proceedings.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The Senate
in a so-called executive session has
rejected the Lausanne Treaty re-
establishing diplomatic and com-
mercial relations with Turkey. The
administration whips failed to get
the two-thirds majority necessary
for ratification.—Reuter's Ameri-
can Service.

That the Shanghai Chinese
military authorities are fully alive
to the delicacy of the local situa-
tion is illustrated by an order issued
by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang to Mr.
Tsu Ting-kang, Civil Governor of
Kiangsu, instructing him to give
very explicit orders to the police
who come under his jurisdiction to
take every possible precaution for
the protection of foreigners, and
urging them to take every drastic
measure against unscrupulous
characters who may try to take ad-
vantage of present excitement to
stir up anti-foreign and anti-Allied
agitation and riots.

MEXICAN DISPUTE.

UNITED STATES URGED TO
ARBITRATE.

APPEALS TO PRESIDENT.

Washington, Jan. 19.

A very significant development
in the Senate is that the Demo-
cratic leader, Senator Robin-
son, has introduced a resolution
calling on the United States Gov-
ernment to try to settle, through
arbitration, all disputes with
Mexico, affecting the property
and rights of citizens of the
United States.

The Secretary of State, Mr.
Kellogg, said he had been con-
sidering the application of the
principle of arbitration in this
connection for some time.

The Federal Council of
Churches and the American
Federation of Labour recently
declared for arbitration in the
Mexican dispute, and yesterday
an arbitration petition was
signed by 400 leading
educators, editors and social
workers and sent to Presi-
dent Coolidge, pointing out that
President Calles recently ex-
pressed willingness to submit the
American and Mexican differ-
ences over the oil land laws to the
Hague.—Reuter's American Ser-
vice.

VISIT TO PARIS.

WELCOME FOR MAYORAL
PARTY.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

The Lord Mayor of London and
the Lady Mayoress, with the Sheriffs
and their wives, will leave London
tomorrow for Paris.

On Friday they will attend a ban-
quet of the British Chamber of
Commerce.

On Saturday morning, introduced
by the British Ambassador, Lord
Crewe, they will be received by the
President of the Republic.

Afterwards they will visit the
International Rubber Exhibition at
the Grand Palais.

In the afternoon the President of
the Paris Municipal Council will
give a reception in their honour at
the Hotel de Ville.

They will return to London on
Monday.—British Wireless Service.

HE KNOWS NOW.

INNOCENT PARCEL CONTAINS
OPIUM.

TO-DAY'S HEAVY FINES.

Interest at the Central Magis-
trate's court this morning was centred
round a number of prosecutions
for possession of illicit opium.
The 1st Magistrate, Mr. R. E.
Lindsell, imposing heavy fines in
two instances.

The first case brought before
the Court involved a raid by
Senior Revenue Officer, G. Watt,
on the second floor of No. 11
Kwong Yuen Street East.

The defendant in this case failed
to appear when his name was
called, his Worship ordering his
bail of \$250 to be estreated.

"How much opium did you
seize?" asked Mr. Lindsell.

R. O. Watt: Only three mace.

Mr. Lindsell: \$250 bail for
three mace?—Yes. I happened to
remember that he had had a pre-
vious conviction.

A passenger arriving in the
Colony on the s.s. "Taiming" was
charged by Senior Preventive
Officer Clarke with being in un-
lawful possession of 22 tael of
the illicit drug.

His Worship imposed a fine of
\$2,000 or eight months' hard la-
bour.

The next man charged admit-
ted having carried ashore a pack-
age containing 17 tael of the
drug at the request of a passen-
ger arriving on the s.s. "Chuen
Chow."

Mr. Lindsell: If you are will-
ing to take the risk on behalf of
other people, you must pay for
it.—\$1,500 or seven months.

The defendant in the fourth
case said that he had been asked
to take a parcel to the house of
an acquaintance. He was quite
unaware of its contents.

Mr. Lindsell: Well, you know
how.—\$100.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Till noon to-morrow the official
forecast for all local districts is as
follows:—N.E. winds, fresh; over-
cast at first, finer later.

At 12.10 to-day the Observatory
reported:—Pressure has increased
moderately over Japan and de-
creased slightly over the Yangtze Valley.
It is nearly stationary elsewhere.

Metecological observations at 6
a.m. to-day: barometer 83.08; tem-
perature 56; humidity 83; wind E;
force 3; weather overcast.

JUROR'S DUTY.

BANK CASHIER ASKS FOR
EXEMPTION.

JUDGE'S COMMENT.

As Mr. M. Taquet, a juror
summoned for a Criminal Ses-
sions case this morning, was
about to take the oath, he made
an appeal to the Chief Justice,
Sir H. C. Gollan, asking to be ex-
empted from service, stating that
he was cashier of the Bank
Franco-Chinoise.

"If I exempt you, some other
gentleman will have to come
to take your place," remarked
His Lordship. "It might be
equally hard on him. I am
afraid you must discharge your
duty. Your case has been before
me twice already and I carefully
considered it and I came to the
conclusion that I could not impose
your duties on anyone else."
The juror then took the oath.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN THE "MAIL."

January 20—Queen's Theatre:

"Lady Windermere's Fan."

January 20—World Theatre:

"Manhattan."

January 20—Star Theatre:

"From the Ground Up."

January 20—Farewell per-
formance of Isako's Circus, Chat-
ham Rd., Kowloon 9.15 p.m.

January 20—Musical at Helena
May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

January 21—Hong Kong Auto-
mobile Association dinner dance, Hong
Kong Hotel Roof Garden, 8 p.m. to
midnight.

January 21—Royal Italian Opera
Company presents "Il Trovatore" at
Star Theatre, Kowloon.

January 25—Social and Dance at
Diocesan Boys' School under the
auspices of the D.S.O.B. Assn.
8.30 p.m.

January 26—Dance on H.M.S.
Tamar.

January 26—Chinese play by
Bellios Public (Girls) School in
Queen's College Hall, 3 p.m.

January 26—Theatre Royal, "Red
Riding Hood," 9.15 p.m.

February 1—Fancy dress ball in
Roof Garden of Hong Kong Hotel.
Sports.

January 26—Entries for the
Annual Race Meeting close at 5
p.m.

January 28—Entries for the
Hong Kong Cricket Club tennis
tournament close on this date.

February 5—Next tournament of
the Hong Kong Boxing Assn.

February 5-6—Inaugural meet-
ing of the International Race and
Recreation Club of Macao.

February 12—Steeplechase Meet-
ing of Fanling Hunt, Kwanti Race
Course.

Auctions.

January 21—Household furni-
ture is to be sold at Messrs. Lam-
mert Bros' Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

January 26—At No. 4, Felix
Villas, Mt. Davis Rd., Pokfulam,
Household furniture will be auc-
tioned by Messrs. Lamert Bros., at
2.45 p.m.

January 27—Chinese curio will
be sold at Messrs. Lamert Bros'
Sales Room, 2.30 p.m.

January 20—Annual meeting of
the H.K. S.P.C.A. in Messrs. Jar-
dine's board room, 5.15 p.m.

January 27—Hong Kong Land
Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.'s
thirty-ninth meeting at Messrs.
Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

January 28—Twenty-ninth meet-
ing of the "Star Ferry Co., Ltd., at
Messrs. Jardine Matheson's office,
11 a.m.

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HAKOZAKI MARU Saturday, 12th Feb., at 11 a.m.

HAKUSAN MARU Saturday, 20th February.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.

MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 23rd Feb., at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU Wednesday, 23rd March.

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EVERY POSSIBLE CHANCE.

Whilst taking the simple pre-
cautionary measure of strength-
ening its Naval forces in the
Far East the British Government
is giving the Cantonese authori-
ties every possible chance to
come to a settlement of the Han-
kow incident by negotiation. As
the President of the Board of
Trade says in a cablegram pub-
lished this afternoon, "we are
prepared to go much farther
than many observers of the situa-
tion to-day might perhaps think
justifiable, but we are prepared
to go that length because we hope
and believe that the national
qualities and commercial
standards which our traders
experienced in China
in years past represent the
Chinese people and that these
qualities will assert themselves
to establish peace and order
everywhere."

This supplements the statement
of the Attorney-General, Sir
Douglas Hogg. Whilst claiming
that the situation at Hankow
must be regularized, the British
Government, said Sir Douglas,
had entered into negotiations
with the Chinese authorities to
see whether a satisfactory ar-
rangement can be reached on the
basis of the Memorandum. With
him we can only hope that the in-
vitation will be accepted, in which
case the Chinese will not find us
either ungenerous or unreason-
able. That should, indeed, go
without saying. In the long his-
tory of Sino-British relations the

Chinese have never had the
slightest ground for charging the
British with being other than
generous and reasonable. Still,
knowing the source of the present
anti-British agitation, a repeti-
tion of obvious facts may do no
harm, but rather assist the more
level-headed among the Chinese
leaders to readjust their mental-
ity and recognize who are their
real friends and who their natu-
ral foes.

"Peace with honour" has
served the cause of the British
in past international crises.
There seems no impediment in
the way of history of repeating
itself. But, whilst we can repeat
a thousand times over that we
are willing to negotiate in order
to regularize the Hankow inci-
dent, our hands are tied until our
invitation is accepted, and the
Chinese authorities are prepared
to meet us in the spirit of
Locarno. If it takes two to
make a quarrel it must not be
overlooked that it takes two to
patch up a peace. One side may
be prepared to go to extreme
lengths to attain peace, but it
cannot be blamed if it finds the
other party obdurate and stub-
born. In any event, whatever may
be the ultimate eventuate it shall not
be said of the British that they
did not go to the utmost limit in
seeking that "peace with hon-
our" that would for ever redound
to the credit of both the Chinese
and the British.

Harrowing Experiences.

No one can read the full ac-
count of the harrowing experi-
ences of the Spanish and Ameri-
can missionaries in Foochow
without lamenting the pass to
which the anti-Christian agita-
tion has come, and without ex-
pressing the utmost sympathy
for those who have come through
a very trying ordeal. Mob-law
has again triumphed, and for
that the Chinese authorities must
bear the full brunt of the respon-
sibility. All the assurances of
protection of missionaries and
other foreigners have been so
much waste paper. What has oc-
curred at Foochow can also hap-
pen at other mission stations
throughout the country. The for-
eign Consuls are helpless. The
local representatives of the Chi-
nese Government are powerless to
enforce law and order—utterly
incapable of suppressing the ex-
cesses of the students and pre-
venting outrages. It truly seems
that affairs in China are going
from bad to worse, and he would
be a bold prophet who could ven-
ture to predict what the end will
be. Merely to theorize, of course,
does not tend to minimise the

position in the slightest degree.
Nor does it alleviate the plight or
avert the perils of foreign mis-
sionaries in China.

Pillion Riders.

Motor cycling accidents in
which pillion riders are involved
are now so common that there is
a danger of the public taking
them as a matter of course, as
one of the ordinary perils to
which road users are liable.
Actually, one is inclined to think
they are in a class by themselves.
Pillion-riding adds an extra, and
in the opinion of many, a super-
fluous risk to motor-cycling.
The truth, we are glad to see,
was recognised at an inquest at
Home recently on the body of a
woman who had been knocked
down by a motor-cycle carrying a
pillion rider. The jury expressed
the view that the practice should
be suppressed, and the Coroner
agreed, adding that it interfered
with the driver's action and judg-
ment. In most cases it is the per-
son, commonly a girl, on the
pillion who bears the brunt of the
risk, but as this case showed, the
practice may be directly respon-
sible for the injury or even death
of pedestrians. Cyclists who
carry pillion riders should be so
facto be liable to a charge of man-
slaughter if a fatal accident oc-
curs.

OBITUARY.

"EMPRESS" MASTER AT ARMS.

MR. ANDREW WHITE.

Death took place one hour be-
fore the arrival of the "Empress
of Russia" from Manila yesterday
of Mr. Andrew White, master at
arms on that vessel.

Deceased was taken ill with
typhoid a few days after leaving
Yancover but appeared to have
recovered until, after leaving
Manila, he had a sudden relapse
which affected his heart, death
taking place at 4 p.m. yesterday.
The ship entered harbour with
flag at half mast.

Mr. White was a police pension-
er, having served over 20 years
with the Leeds City Constabulary
before settling down in Van-
cover with his wife and two
children, son and daughter.
He was well known among the
local police force in which he had
many friends and was a trusted
servant of the C.P.R. News of
his death was received by them
with the utmost regret. Wreaths
are being sent on behalf of the
Police and individual members of
the force to the funeral which
takes place this afternoon, pass-
ing the Monument at 5 o'clock.
Deceased was 58 years of age.

CHEMICAL JOURNAL.

LOCAL SCIENCE MASTER'S PAPER.

The "Journal of the Chemical
Society" for 1926, contains an in-
teresting, though highly scientific
paper by Messrs. H. R. Raikes, A. F.
Yorke and F. K. Ewart on the
"Equivalent Conductivity of Solutions
of Sodium Hydroxide and the
Mobility of the Hydroxyl Ion."

The paper, which is far too ab-
struse for review at any length in
a daily newspaper, is of interest to
local residents in that one of the
three authors, Mr. Frederick
Kenneth Ewart, is science Master at
King's College, and Div. Supt. of
the King's College Division of the
local branch of the St. John Ambu-
lance Brigade—the Division
which won the Ralphs Shield for
1926.

The Journal's contents also in-
cluded a second paper, one dealing
with Anhydrous Methyl Alcohol, by
Messrs. Raikes and Ewart.

FIVE CENT FRACAS.

SERIOUS ASSAULT CHARGE FOLLOWS.

A fracas at the Shamshipo
market on December 23, following a
dispute between a vendor and his
customer, had its sequel at the Kow-
loon Magistracy yesterday after-
noon, when a folk was charged be-
fore Mr. T. W. Alsworth with
causing grievous bodily harm to an-
other folk employed at the market.
Mr. T. W. Prior appeared on be-
half of the complainant and Mr.
A. J. O'Donoghue defended.
According to Mr. Prior, a pur-
chaser bought five cents worth of
olives from No. 78 stall, but for
some reason or other gave the
money to the mistress of No. 72
stall. A dispute arose and the de-
fendant struck the complainant
across the kidneys with an iron bar.
After "hearing" medical evi-
dence from Dr. Smalley of the Kow-
loon Hospital, his Worship adjourned
the case for a week, allowing
\$1,000 bail.

Geneva, Jan. 19.—In the course of
the sitting of the Opium Commis-
sion, Signor Cavasini stated that
Italy was ready to adopt the neces-
sary measures to enforce the Hague
convention of 1912.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI TOPICS.

New Mixed Court's First Session.

INTERESTING CEREMONY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 19.
In my letter last week I refer-
red to the formal handing over
of the old International Mixed
Court to the Commissioner for
Foreign Affairs. Interest during
the past few days has centred
around the proceedings in the
new tribunal, the Shanghai
Special Provisional Court, and
some reference to the happenings
of the past few days may not be
without interest.

The first session of the new
Court was held on Tuesday morn-
ing when a large number of
Chinese and foreign lawyers were
present in Court.

At 9.50 a.m. three gentlemen
took their seats on the Bench. In
the centre was the new Senior
Judge, Mr. Ziah, a British barris-
ter-at-law, and formerly a mem-
ber of the local legal firm of
Messrs. Teesdale, Newman and
McDonald. On his left was a
Chinese clerk, and on his right
was Mr. Tajima, formerly the
Japanese Assessor, who, upon this
occasion was described as Secre-
tary to the Court.

The judge wore a hat which re-
sembled very much the type
which finds popularity on the
European Continent, being of
black material, embroidered with
gold braid, and a plain black robe
with broad bands of gold braid
upon the sleeves.

It has been announced official-
ly that in future all foreign law-
yers appearing in the new Court
will be required to wear Chinese
legal gowns.

English will only be permitted
in one Court—that presided over
by Judge Ziah, cases in the other
courts being conducted in the
Chinese language only.

Judge and Litigants.

An interesting statement was
made by Judge Ziah during the
course of a case heard in the new
Court on Saturday morning, and
most people are agreed that if
Judge Ziah's colleagues on the
Bench adopt the same attitude
from the outset, many fears and
misgivings in regard to the new
tribunal will be dispelled.

Addressing counsel present in
Court, Judge Ziah said:—

Regarding the motion for a
hearing in a case in which a cer-
tain native bank is concerned, a
representative of the bank in
question came to see me at my
private office yesterday after-
noon. I refused to see him and
told him to go away. I felt and
still feel very much annoyed at
such conduct. I did not know
what he wanted or why he came
but it was most improper to call
on me at my private office in such
a manner. I do not know what
he came for a corruptive
purpose and I do not care. I will
not permit it. During these two
days, at least five people concern-
ed in certain cases that came up
before this Court have come to
see me "for consultations" but I
refused to see them all and I will
maintain that attitude always.
In future such interviews will not
be allowed, and people who come
to me in such a way, in whatever
capacity, will be punished.

St. John's University.

Some interesting references to
the attitude of the students of
St. John's University were made
by the President, Dr. F. L. Hawks
Pott, when interviewed by the
local Press.

Replying to a number of ques-
tions, Dr. Pott said that the at-
tention of the students during
the past term had remained con-
stantly fixed upon their studies,
political affairs having exercised
little, if any, influence upon the
school's routine. Dr. Pott point-
ed out, however, that most of the
880 students when asked for
their views are in sympathy with
the Nationalist movement, but
are almost unanimous in express-
ing hopefulness that the moder-
ate wing of the movement will
be the controlling agents in due
course.

Hankow Refugees.

Refugees arriving in the Set-
tlement from Hankow, following
the capture of the British Conces-
sion, appear to be unanimously
grateful for the comfort and hospi-
tality offered to them here.

The s.s. "Boyang" arrived here
this morning, and according to
the evening papers, one and all
speak most highly of the treat-
ment received at the hands of the
ship's officers. To show how
comfort had to be sacrificed, it
may be said that although there
is only accommodation for twenty
people, not less than 122 were car-
ried. The officers had little or no
sleep during the trip from Han-
kow, giving up their cabins for
the use of women and children.
The refugees describe the con-
duct of the Chinese in the Con-

"SUNNING" PIRACY

(Continued from Page 1.)

Witness was cross-examined by
Mr. Alabaster as to the alleged
license (deposed to by Messrs.
Pringle and Beatty), between
Nos. 7 and 11 prisoners. He
(witness) did not notice it. He
did not recognise No. 7 by his
stature but by his face.

"The More I Look."

Andrew Duncan, 3rd Engineer
of the "Sunning" was the next
witness called. After narrating
his movements on board
the vessel, witness went
on to say that he left
the ship in the No. 2 life-
boat, being subsequently picked
up by a Norwegian steamer and
later transhipped to H.M.S.
"Verity" which brought him to
Hong Kong.

Witness identified the 5th and
20th defendants.

Cross-examined by Mr. Shel-
don, witness said that he was
quite certain that No. 5 was the
man who patrolled the saloon
during dinner.

To his Lordship: The more I
look at him, the more convinced
do I become that he was the man.
George Cormack, Chief Engin-
eer, told of having been forced
into the Chief Officer's cabin.
After some discussion, witness
was allowed to go to the engine
room, where he relieved the 3rd
Engineer. Later in the evening
witness was trying to shut an iron
door when a number of pirates
forced him on to the saloon deck.
Firing took place from the bridge,
causing witness to be wounded in
the side.

In reply to Mr. Alabaster, wit-
ness said that he could not say
how many pirates were on board
the vessel. He, witness, did not
see more than half a dozen at the
most.

Further evidence was given by
the ship's wireless operator.

Yesterday's Hearing.

At the resumption of the hear-
ing after the tiffin adjournment
yesterday afternoon, the first
witness called was Mr. T. P.
Beatty, the Chief Officer of the
"Sunning."

Witness said that upon hearing
a scuffle he got up and saw the
Indian guard being disarmed by
a number of pirates. Others
arrived on the scene and he was
forced, with the Chief and 2nd
Engineers, into one of the cabins.
Eventually witness went to the
navigating bridge, which appear-
ed to be in charge of a quarter-
master acting under orders from
one of the pirates. The man ap-
peared to be the leader of the
gang; his attitude was not
menacing, but he continued to
cover witness with a revolver.

Witness identified the 7th de-
fendant as the man who hustled
the 2nd Engineer into the cabin.

Ship Re-Captured.

Witness went on to tell of the
re-capture of the ship shortly
after midnight. At 12.30 a.m.
he and the 2nd Officer were on
the bridge with two pirates.
Whilst they were looking at the
Cheung Light, the 2nd Officer
felled both of the pirates with an
iron bar. A man on guard out-
side the Captain's cabin came on
the bridge and opened fire, which
witness returned, bringing the
man down, and securing his rifle
and other arms. Promiscuous fir-
ing broke out all over the ship and
an attack was made on the bridge.

Witness also identified the
20th defendant as being one of
the pirates.

Cross-examined by Mr. Alaba-
ster, witness said that he was cer-
tain that he had not confused
No. 7 with any other man.

The examination-in-chief of
Mr. J. W. Hurst, 2nd Officer of
the "Sunning" was opened, and
the Court adjourned until this
morning.

cession as being "absolutely rot-
ten." According to stories told
by some of these unfortunates,
the Chinese looted the Hankow
Club as well as the Brunner Mond
Building.

Defence of Shanghai.

General satisfaction is expres-
sed in regard to the attitude of the
Municipal Council of the Inter-
national Settlement. A manifesto
has been issued in which it is
made quite clear that any local
authorities will tolerate no non-
sense. The special Police are all
standing by, whilst experience
has shown that the organisation
of the Volunteer Corps is such
that it can be mobilised to full
strength in an hour, each unit
having a mobilisation centre.
As in previous instances, the
supreme command of the Settle-
ment's defence forces will be
placed in the hands of Colonel
W. F. L. Gordon, C.M.G., D.S.O.,
the Commandant of the Volun-
teers. Colonel Gordon has the
confidence of everyone and most
residents feel that with this
officer at the helm, everything
possible will be done to safeguard
the Settlement.

JAPAN & CHINA.

Foreign Minister's
Notable Speech.

ATTITUDE FULLY EXPLAINED.

Baron Shidehara, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, made a speech before the Japanese Imperial Parliament on January 18. A part of the speech concerning Japan's policy toward China is given below as follows:—

The great international problem for the present moment whereon popular attention is now centred is undoubtedly what relates to the situation in China.

Several years past, China, being the scene of endless civil wars, warring parties and theatres of war, has changed rapidly; but there is no indication of the restoration of peace and stability there.

Meanwhile the Southern Army, carrying the banner representing a definite platform of political and social reforms since last summer, gained the upper reaches to the Yangtze, and injected a new element into the nature of the civil war in China.

Opposite to that movement, various military factions existing hitherto in the North and Central China have formed a combination which is known as the Army for National Security.

Conflicting Factions.

This will result in the North and the South actually confronting each other in arms and on platforms.

It is not possible at this moment to estimate certainly how far this course of events will affect the rights and interests of the foreign Powers, or nationals, or in what direction the political situation in China will be likely to develop.

For the present it seems particularly advisable for our nation to remain unmoved by any fragmentary or one-sided reports, and to exercise the utmost circumspection and calm judgment.

However, a few observations on the existing condition of affairs will be useful.

Firstly, we are naturally anxious to see an early re-establishment of order and security in China. We are actuated by an instinct of sympathy for our neighbouring friends and by the need of safeguarding the industrial and commercial interests of our nationals.

"More Harm Than Good."

This, however, can only be attained by the initiative of the Chinese themselves.

Any attempt to force domestic peace by outside pressure would do more harm than good.

With the object of lending support and of providing full opportunity for endeavours of the Chinese people struggling for peace, we have found it necessary to prohibit all supply of arms and loans to China, which may be applied to the purposes of civil war.

Since 1919 we have been exercising most stringent control within the limit of our power to make that prohibition most effective, and we have no intention whatsoever, at present, of relaxing such control.

It is evident that no foreign Power professing to the policy of non-intervention in China's domestic affairs can permit the supply of arms or loans that would assist any faction in China to carry on hostilities against another faction.

Destiny in Their Own Hands.

Secondly, the Chinese themselves alone are to decide whether to assume the reins of the government in China or what internal policy is sane and wise for her country.

If such a policy is suitable for the Chinese characteristics and serves to promote the internal prosperity and international prestige of China, it will naturally gain ground there.

If, on the contrary, it betrays these expectations, it will naturally fall itself.

The national life of the Chinese people is one grown up with an historical background extending several thousands of years and amidst peculiar surroundings.

Therefore, no plans of political and social institutions worked out by any foreign nation can be imposed on China with lasting success. It seems to me furthermore that even the Chinese people will never tacitly accept foreign intervention for a long period, and will never obey foreign directions.

Rights Cannot Be Affected.

We are in confidence, at the same time, that whatever system China may adopt, yet the Japanese nation, having their characteristic history and idea, is assured of the firm determination and full capability of maintaining and promoting the national system of Japan herself.

Thirdly, our nationals in China are entitled to the complete protection of their persons and property; and to enjoy all guarantees given by the international law which is accepted by the whole civilised world.

These elementary rights assured to our nationals cannot be abridged or modified by any political or social changes that may take place in China; nor, we are informed, so far, of any faction there denying such rights.

Obviously, control of the activities of lawless elements in various localities, at present, is inadequate; but we hope such irregularities will gradually be corrected with the restoration of normal conditions.

The Tariff Conference.

Meanwhile, we have only to keep in touch with those actually exer-

cising authority in each locality, and to make all possible efforts in order to secure that due protection is extended to the persons and property of our nationals; and so far these efforts have generally proved successful.

Well, regarding the Special Conference of the Chinese Customs Tariff, we sincerely regret that while in session the domestic disturbances there assumed such a serious proportion that the Chinese delegates found themselves unable to take part therein; and consequently the delegates of the other Powers issued a joint statement on July 3 last, declaring the suspension of the session until duly authorised representatives be appointed to take part in it.

The Special Conference was thus virtually adjourned; but the constant labour of the participating delegations for nearly ten months has by no means been entirely fruitless.

Particularly the Japanese delegates, conscious of this nation's own experience in the past, and mindful of the trend of public sentiment in China, have exerted loyalty and unflinchingly their help towards China in concert with the other Powers so that the Chinese national aspirations may be realised with world-wide friendly understanding.

Undoubtedly, our delegation's efforts have now widely been appreciated, and conducted largely to the promotion of mutual confidence and goodwill between Japan and China.

I would like to add a few remarks on the motives by which our attitude was regulated.

Since the conclusion of the Washington Conference, we have made efforts to bring about the early opening of the meeting of the Chinese Customs Conference.

What the Surtaxes Are For.

When, finally, the meeting was convened, we at once responded readily and gratefully, our prompted genuine desire being to contribute materially towards the advancement of the general good of the Chinese people, reconcilable to the legitimate and essential economic interests of Japan.

We have no objection to the levying of surtaxes as provided in the Washington Customs Treaty, but we must make it reasonably certain that such additional Customs revenue shall not be applied directly or indirectly for the purposes of civil war, or shall not be appropriated for the private use of any faction in China.

We must satisfy ourselves that the proposed measure is generally in conformity with the letter and spirit of the Washington Treaty.

Sense of Faithfulness.

Our sense of faithfulness towards China and our moral responsibilities for her people of four hundred millions demand that we should arrange such purposes and conditions for levying the surtaxes as to secure proper application of the revenue.

Viewed from this light, early resumption and deliberation of the Conference seems highly desirable for China and the Powers alike. We wish responsible men both from the North and the South will be appointed as members of the Chinese delegations and to exchange views frankly.

It is beyond our expectation when the Customs Conference will again be opened, but we see no reason, in the present state of affairs, why our attitude and desire, as above mentioned, should be changed.

The report submitted by the Extraterritoriality Commission has been already published, and I refer you thereto for details.

The Commission has not been empowered to conclude any treaty, nor was their report intended to have binding force upon any party.

Sympathy and Understanding.

But it is undoubtedly valuable in importance, for it contains recommendations to the Chinese Government and expresses the opinion when these recommendations are reasonably complied with and several Powers will be warranted in relinquishing their respective rights of extraterritoriality and also recommending certain modifications, which those Powers shall make on the existing systems of practice, pending the abolition of extraterritoriality, and further suggests that such abolition may not be effected for the whole of the Chinese territory simultaneously, but according to such progressive scheme, geographical, partial, or otherwise, as may be agreed on. Regarding the proposed revision of the commercial treaty between Japan and China, the Wai-chiao-pu's (Chinese Foreign Ministry's) proposal involves many legal aspects which would appear at least questionable from a legal point of view.

But approaching the subject from a wider perspective, we avoided all discussion of legal technicality and declared our readiness to enter into the negotiations of the treaty revision.

While expressly reserving for ourselves the position to which we are entitled, we are prepared to consider the legitimate aspirations of the Chinese people with full sympathy and understanding, in the interest of Sino-Japanese friendly relations.

If China should meet us half way in the same spirit of moderation and goodwill, I have no doubt negotiations will make satisfactory progress.

Japan's Policy in Brief.

Japan's policy covering all questions relating to Japan and China may be summarised thus:—

(1) To respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of China, and scrupulously to avoid all interference with her domestic affairs;

(2) To promote solidarity in the economic rapprochement between the two nations;

(3) To entertain sympathetically and helpfully the just aspirations of the Chinese people and to co-operate in efforts for the realisation of such aspirations;

(4) To maintain the attitude of patience in toleration for the present situation in China, at the same time, to protect Japan's legitimate and essential rights and interest by all reasonable means at the disposal of the Government.

Above is the policy of Japan towards China already established and observed.

We are happy to be able to state that the relations between Japan and China are continuously satisfactory.

VILLAGE ROBBERY.

4 MEN ENTER ELDER'S
HOUSE.

A SESSIONS SEQUEL.

A robbery at the house of a village elder of Tai Hang village, in the New Territories (about 7 miles N.E. of Castle Peak) formed the subject of a charge at the Criminal Sessions this morning against six men alleged to have been implicated, also in receiving stolen goods.

The case was heard before Sir H. C. Gollan, Chief Justice.

Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith prosecuted for the Crown. Prisoners were not represented.

Evidence as to four men entering the house was given by an old woman who was the only occupant on the night in question. She said that she could not identify anyone. The robbery took place on the night of the 26-27 Nov. at about 2 a.m., the men entering by breaking down the door. One of them held a light, another a knife, another a chisel and another an iron bar.

Directing her not to make a noise, the men proceeded to ransack the house, taking clothing and jewellery away in considerable quantity.

No Direct Evidence.

In reply to His Lordship, Mr. Whyte Smith said that there was no direct evidence against either of the prisoners in connection with the robbery in view of absence of identification. There was evidence from deduction in that the stolen property had been found in the individual possession of some and in the apparent possession of others. There were also their own statements.

Evidence was given as to the Police having arrested four of the defendants in a house at Kau Pui Shek, part of Kowloon City. On the persons of two was found some of the stolen property and other stolen articles were found in the room.

The fifth prisoner, arrested at Yaumati, had in his possession a pawn ticket for one of the stolen articles and on the sixth prisoner was found one of the stolen gold rings.

Admitted Guilt.

Statements made by the prisoners after their arrest were read. These, said Mr. Whyte Smith, tended to show that the prisoners were not merely receivers but actual participants in the robbery. He also explained that the charges against the prisoners were alternative and that, if convicted of robbery, the charges of receiving would be withdrawn.

Prisoners in these statements admitted having planned a robbery, though one said that he had not actually gone and two said that their hearts had failed them and that they had merely kept guard. Mr. Whyte Smith pointed out that people who kept guard were equally implicated with those who actually participated in robberies.

The question of an alteration in the translation of the prisoners' statements was raised by the Chief Justice who asked by what right the Court interpreter altered documents.

Mr. Whyte Smith explained that the documents were sent to him to be certificated as correct translations.

The case is proceeding.

SEDITIONARY LITERATURE.

An official of the "National Questions Investigation Association" found himself facing Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning to answer a charge of illegal possession of seditious literature.

Defendant said that he did not know he was not allowed to carry the documents in his possession. The youth was remanded until to-morrow morning, bail of \$100 being allowed.

Brussels, Jan. 19.—The death has occurred of Princess Charlotte, sister of the late King Leopold, and widow of the Emperor Maximilian of Mexico.

She lost her reason when her husband was shot by the Mexican Republicans in 1867.—Reuter.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

ON HISTORY.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.") Sir,—History is a subject which is notoriously worse taught in schools than any other, and such history as is taught rarely establishes a connection with our own times.

Waterloo is almost the most modern event in history as it is usually taught, but more interesting things have happened since Waterloo than happened before; things not merely more interesting, but more necessary to the understanding of our own times; but the average schoolboy leaves school and begins to work and, at home, to exercise his vote, and the one period of his country's history that he knows least is that which he ought to know most.

As a comparatively new-comer to the Colony I do not profess to know what standard the Hong Kong educational authorities demand in regard to modern history, but it does seem to me to be most important that Britain's policy vis-a-vis China during recent years should be instilled into the minds of all students able to comprehend its importance.

Yours, etc.,

EX-EDUCATIONALIST.

Carton, Jan. 17, 1927.

STUDENTS AND RELIGIOUS
LIBERTY.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.") Sir,—Your correspondent "Ionides" has opened a subject which lends itself to some considerable expansion, but, without unduly trespassing upon your valuable space, I would like to quote from a translation of a pamphlet which came into my hands whilst in North China some few months ago. The quotation to which I refer, reads as follows:—

"Since the Christian Municipal Council of Shanghai, the American Christian Marines, the International Volunteer Corps and the British Christian sailors have repeatedly killed scores of Chinese in Shanghai, Hankow and Shamen and since a certain Christian missionary testified in the Christian Mixed Court that the British Police who fired upon the unarmed crowd was justified, not only the masses of China understand clearly that Christianity is the instrument of the Imperialists' encroachment but also numbers of old experienced Christians now see clearly that Christianity is an instrument of this imperialistic encroachment."

"Now the anti-Christian movement has publicly undertaken the fight against Imperialism. We, the National Student Union, being one of the powerful organizations opposed to Christianity and to Christian education have adopted the following concrete methods:—

Here follows a violent anti-British diatribe and a number of resolutions for the boycotting of missionary schools etc.

The italics in the foregoing are mine.

Yours, etc.,

OXON.

Hong Kong, Jan. 18, 1927.

THE NEW DELHI.

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.") Sir,—The present chaos in China tends to a certain extent to preclude matters relative to the Indian Empire from occupying the attention of many people at the present time.

The State opening of the new Parliament at Delhi nevertheless demands, some emphasis in the local press. The news that the completion of this great monument to British statesmanship was attended by a gracious and inspiring message from His Majesty the King-Emperor will be welcomed by my fellow-countrymen the world over.

But is not this important step towards the advancement of British India singularly significant at the present time, when Russian influence is doing its best to undermine the age-long conservatism of the Chinese nation? Students of current history will have followed recent developments in India with keen and close interest, but is it not their duty to enlighten those who for want of interest or general indifference to the advance of Bolshevism in other lands fail to keep in touch with Indian progress under British administration?

Yours, etc.,

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Hong Kong, Jan. 19, 1927.

BAZAAR CLOSES.

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Yesterday evening saw the concluding scenes of the St. Paul's Girls' School annual bazaar; and according to an announcement made last evening, the results have exceeded all expectations, the gross receipts amounting to about \$15,000.

The raffle, which has attracted considerable attention on account of the valuable prizes offered, has proved an unqualified success, although the 1st and 2nd prizes were not drawn by any of the tickets that were sold. The tickets which were not sold were unfortunately returned to Miss Woo too late for inclusion in the final drawing last night.

Prize winners who have not already claimed their prizes are requested to apply to Miss Woo, headmistress of St. Paul's Girls' School, within seven days.

The prizes were drawn as follows:—

1. (Gramophone), Miss Yue Sing-yan, daughter of Mr. Yue Shing-wing, comprador of Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd.
2. (Sewing Machine), The Tung Fat Yue Co., Ltd.
3. (Electric Fan) Ticket No. 1722, care of Tung Wah Hospital.
4. Mr. Chau Tung-sang.
5. Ticket No. 406 sold by Mr. Li Sing-kui, manager of the Hong Li Lin Insurance Co.
6. Miss Yue Sing-yan.
7. Miss Iris Lee.
8. Mr. Lok Ping-nam.

All the last five prizes were embroidered bedspreads.

HANDI PIRACY CASE.

The "Hanoi" piracy case was again mentioned in Mr. Lindsell's Court this morning, when Chief Det. Insp. T. Murphy applied for a further formal remand until the 28th inst. The application was granted.



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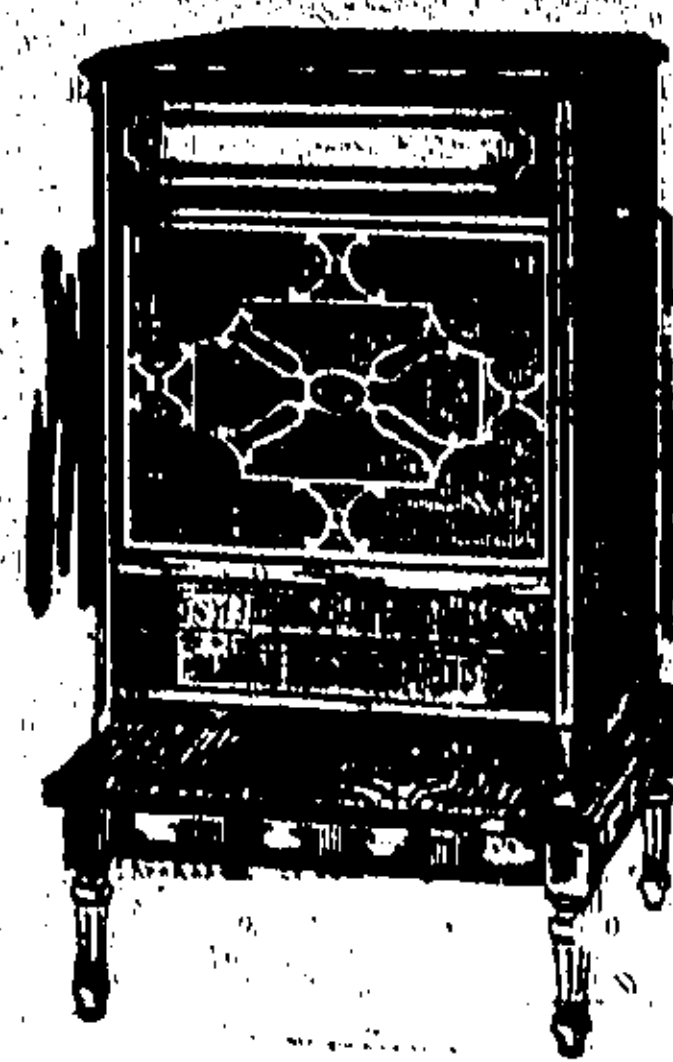
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This week's features are, of course, the situation at Hankow and other Concessions along the Yangtze, and the outrages on foreigners at Foochow and elsewhere.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

A pianoforte recital will be given by Mr. Harry Ore at the City Hall next Tuesday, at 5.30 p.m.

The Social and Dance of the Diocesan Old Boys' Association will be held on Wednesday January 26, instead of on Saturday next as previously announced.

At No. 4, Felix Villas, Mount Davis Road, Pokfulam, Messrs. Lamert Bros. will sell a variety of household furniture by public auction at 2.45 p.m. on Wednesday next. The Hong Kong Hotel motor bus which leaves Blake Pier at 2.15 p.m. will reach the house in time.

The ship's company of R.M.S. "Titanic" gave another of their successful series of dances at the Helena May Institute last night.

According to statistics gathered by the Department of Education, there are 108 middle schools in Kwangtung province, with a total of 11,688 students; 1,886 higher primary schools with 65,432 students, and 9,029 lower primary schools with 445,596, making a total of 11,003 schools and 522,714 students in the whole of the province.

The case of a Portuguese resident with typhoid (enteric fever) was reported yesterday from Kowloon, this being the only occurrence of notifiable disease.

Observing that far too many people showed disrespect to the Court by entering the Kowloon Magistracy wearing their hats, Mr. T. W. Ainsworth fined two Chinese \$1 each yesterday afternoon for that offence.

For their short season at the "Star" Theatre, Kowloon, the Royal Italian Opera Company arrived here yesterday on the "Empress of Russia" from Manila. They go to Shanghai next week, from Hong Kong, on the "Empress of Canada."

Mrs. J. R. Wood (the wife of the Puisne Judge) will distribute the certificates of Ying Wa Girls' School (of the London Mission) at 5.30 p.m. to-morrow in the auditorium of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in Bridges Street where the annual speech day is being held.

The offensive powers of the Singapore variety of hornet were recalled at the Singapore Assizes, when the Deputy Public Prosecutor (Mr. N. H. P. Whitley) had to ask the Chief Justice's permission to conduct the case from his chair, owing to his inability to stand upon a swollen and bandaged foot which had been stung by a hornet.

A fine record of service was mentioned at a meeting of Arboretum Town Council when it was stated that Walter Gibson, an employee in the water department, had been in the employment of the Council for eighty years. Despite the fact that he is 93 years old, he is still working. It was agreed to consider the question of suitably recognising this record.

Local music lovers and opera enthusiasts will welcome the announcement that Signor Carpi's Royal Italian Grand Opera Company is to open a short season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, to-morrow evening, the opera selected for the opening performance being the ever-popular "Il Trovatore."



Mr. John D. Rockefeller is shown "following through" a shot on the golf links at Ormond Beach, where he was spending the winter.

A daring piracy was carried out off the bund in the upper Huangpu, Shanghai, when a junk was boarded by five armed ruffians arrayed in old police uniforms. The master of the vessel called for help when he saw the men whereupon he was struck on the head with the butt end of a pistol and died instantly. Enraged at the opposition the pirates attacked other members of the crew, dealing out very severe injuries to two of the men. The pirates finally made good their escape with \$80 in cash and a quantity of movable gear and property.

The many foreign refugees now in Shanghai from ports on the Yangtze will doubtless be extremely grateful to the postal authorities for the arrangements which have been made to intercept their correspondence for arrival at the local post office. In their notice to this effect the authorities point out that this sort of interception is usually impracticable, but in view of the special nature of the circumstances, and the number of people involved special measures have been adopted.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

A Reuter cable from London, announces the death of Mr. Martin Donohoe, the well-known journalist and war correspondent.

A well-known resident of Shanghai has passed away in the person of Mr. William Martin. The deceased gentleman had been in poor health since last June, and from that time had been out of hospital for only two brief spells of a fortnight or three weeks on each occasion.

Princess Ileana, youngest daughter of the King and Queen of Roumania, whose name has been coupled recently with that of more than one royal prince and who will be 18 next month, declares that she does not desire to marry anybody for several years.

The following deaths were reported in mail week:—Mr. Alfred Jordan Hollington, J.P., textile merchant, who was a member of the first London County Council and of the City Corporation, aged 81. Major-General John Barton Sterling, who formerly commanded the 2nd Battalion of the Coldstream Guards and subsequently the regiment, aged 87.

Simon, the fourteenth Lord Lovat, who is now 55 years of age, is a very shy member of the House of Lords, but makes an excellent Chairman of the Forestry Commission. He has a reputation for silence in the Guild Chamber, Beaufort Castle, near Inverness, has been the seat of the Frasers of Lovat for nearly 700 years. There has been a great many Fraser residences on the site of the present castle, and one of them was razed to the ground by the Duke of Cumberland after the Battle of Culloden. The present home of the Lovats was built in 1882. Lady Lovat was a daughter of Lord Ribblesdale, who died some months ago, and is a niece of the Countess of Oxford.

The death is announced of Major-General John Barton Sterling, whose family was identified with the London "Times" for three generations. Carlyle has referred to his grandfather, Edward Sterling, as a journalist who "thundered to the shaking of the spheres," and at one time he earned the "Times" the sobriquet of "The Thunderer." The life of the General's father, the Rev. John Sterling, has been written by Carlyle. He was a brilliant man of letters, poet, dramatist, and novelist. General Sterling, who had a distinguished military career, was born in 1840.

The marriage of Mr. Desmond Hamsworth, nephew of the late Lord Northcliffe, to Miss Dorothy Heinlein, a graduate of Vassar College, took place at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York. Lord Swinfen Eady was "best man."

Mrs. Georgiana Wigan, of Cavendish-square, W., and the Isle of Wight, left £221,234, and Mr. William Sheldon, late bencher of Lincoln's Inn and the author of several legal works, £70,931. The latter, on the death of his wife, made gifts to Devon charities and Winchester College.

A well-known shipping man in the Far East returned to Hong Kong yesterday on the "Empress of Russia" which came in from Manila. He is Mr. R. C. Morton, at present the Director in the Orient of the United States Shipping Board. A good many years ago, he was a Hong Kong resident, being then the agent of the old Pacific Mail S.S. Co. His many friends in the Colony will be pleased to meet him again.

The Marquess and Marchioness of Sligo, who have left England on a voyage to the Dutch East Indies, will be away for about four months.

Ninety-one, and "still going strong," Baron K. Okura, who is one of Japan's leading industrial magnates, is going to retire from his long business career, not to rest as most ordinary merchants do when they pass the age of 70, but for the task of elevating the position of actors and actresses, which he considers to be a helpful mission in society. The Baron has travelled a lot and visited Europe on a number of occasions, and there he met Napoleon III, who asked him "What country is Japan? There isn't such a country on the map," a question which awakened in him a decision to do his utmost in placing Japan on the map. In this he has been most successful, for to-day he controls several scores of important commercial and industrial undertakings which have taken no little part in the development of his native country and helped greatly to place it on the map.



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INTERPORT XI DEFEAT THE REST.

YESTERDAY'S PRACTICE.

Although our selected team were held at bay for about three-quarters of the practice game yesterday, Hong Kong's hopes for the soccer Interport against Shanghai were not dashed to the ground as the "caps" ultimately won by 3 goals to nil.

One thing was evident. Even if the selectors have not pleased all round, they have picked a workman-like team, including players who vary from the "steady" to the "sometimes brilliant but not always."

On the H.K.F.C. ground, the Interport XI were on their merits. The impression of more than one expert was that we have several potential match-winners in our front and second lines and the defence also played up to reputation. There was a weak spot in the halves, of which more anon.

That Weak Spot.

To begin with several changes had to be made. C. W. E. Bishop (H.K.F.C.), the Interport skipper and left-back was absent as were several in the "Rest" team. Cayeille deserted "the Rest" to fill Bishop's place and the eleven lined up thus:

Interport XI: Clark (Philips); Wynne (Philips, Cayeille) (Kowloon); Hudson (Philips); Sims (Kowloon); Lam Yuk-ying (Chinese Athletic); Kwai-shing (Athletic); Sun Kuan-shun (Athletic); Gosano (Recreo); McGlinchey (Borderers); Brown (Recreo).

The Rest: Rodgers (H.K.F.C.); Ng Kam-chuen (Athletic); Sherry (Police); Ko Sik-wai (South China); McBride (H.K.F.C.); Remedios (Recreo); Brittain (Police); Omar (St. Joseph's College); Wong Pak-chung (Athletic); Silva (Recreo); Hayes (Kowloon); McGlinchey, who usually plays centre-half for the Police, was not a success as right-half.

In the Interport to be played here a fortnight hence, he will be up against the redoubtable Li Wai-ting and a speedy Shanghai left wing with which we can take no chances. Hudson's fault was not that he played poor football, but that he could not adapt himself to the outside position.

Inspiration of the Attack.

One result was that Hong Kong's right wing (the two Chinese "stars") was under-nourished. Sun Kam-shun even dropped back to help Hudson to relieve the pressure put on by Silva and Hayes but too Kwai-shing made some of his delightful runs down the wing. Brown, the other outside man, was just as effective if not as pretty. Sims was again the inspiration of the attack. He showed that his best football comes out when "up against" the best class and he was ably supported by Lam Yuk-ying.

With their forwards having the superiority, the Interport defence were not highly tested but acquitted themselves with credit.

Those Who Scored.

Rodgers, Ng Kam-chuen and Sherry had a gruelling time and came through with flying colours.

Not till 20 minutes after the interval did the Interports score and that goal came through the ball being deflected by a defender, thereby putting Rodgers out of range. McGlinchey was the scorer and he did some clever dribbling.

Gosano added one of his characteristic goals and McGlinchey put on the third.

Another practice will show even further improvement and one a week is by no means a sufficient.

UNITED SERVICES.

Artillerymen Qualify For the Final.

Winning by the odd goal in seven yesterday, the Royal Artillery qualified to meet the 2nd Batt. King's

HOME SOCCER.

SCOTTISH F.A. CUP, 1ST ROUND.

DUNDEE UNITED'S VICTORY.

London, Jan. 19.

Another match was played to-day in the first round of the Scottish Football Association Cup. Arbroath (the home team) lost to Dundee United by 7 goals to nil—Reuter.

DARK BLUES WIN.

ANNUAL LAWN TENNIS MATCH.

SCORES AT THE H.K.C.C.

In the second annual lawn tennis match between the Oxford and Cambridge Societies of Hong Kong, played yesterday on the H.K.C.C. courts, Oxford won by 3 games.

Last year the Dark Blues had an easier victory.

Each side had three pairs, meeting all three on the opposing side, each 9 games. Scores:—

H. R. Phillips and A. Dyer Ball (Oxford) 20-7

beat W. Lock and T. D. E. 10-3

beat G. Miskin and L. Gurnea-Williams, R.N. 6-3

beat Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and E. W. Hamilton 8-1

G. R. Sayer and N. L. Smith (Oxford) 20-7

beat W. Lock and T. D. E. 10-3

beat G. Miskin and L. Gurnea-Williams, R.N. 4-5

beat Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and E. W. Hamilton 4-5

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern and the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax (Oxford) 12-15

beat W. Lock and T. D. E. 2-7

beat G. Miskin and L. Gurnea-Williams, R.N. 2-7

beat Mr. Justice J. R. Wood and E. W. Hamilton 6-3

Total: Oxford 42 games, Cambridge 30.

THE FIRST FIGHT.

FINDING THE MAN TO MEET TUNNEY.

New York, Jan. 19.

Tex Rickard has announced that he has concluded negotiations for a heavyweight match at Madison Square Gardens, on February 18 between Jack Delaney and Jim Maloney, the first fight in the elimination tournament, the winner of which will contest the world's boxing title with Gene Tunney in September.—Reuter's American Service.

HOCKEY CLUB DEFEATED.

In a friendly match on the U.S.R.C. ground at Kowloon yesterday, the Hong Kong Hockey Club (fielding a strong side) lost to the Royal Navy by the odd goal in five after a fine game. F. G. L. Wheeler and W. Woodward scored for the Club.

Own Scottish Borderers in the final of the United Services football competition.

Twice did the vanquished, H.M.S. "Hawkins," have the lead.

The order of scoring was:—first half, Luck (Hawkins), Maddocks (R.A.) and Palford (R.A.); second half, Volter (Hawkins), Luck (Hawkins), Palford (R.A.) and Maddocks (R.A.).

Mr. A. A. Dawes, R.N., was referee.

THE WRONG PLACE.

A RICE DEAL AND A WARRANT.

MAGISTRATE'S REMARKS.

"You have come to the wrong place; your remedy lies in the Civil Court; the charge against the defendant is dismissed," said Mr. W. Schofield to the complainant in a case in which a Chinese broker was charged at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon with obtaining 15 bags of rice, valued \$145, by means of a trick.

Det. Sub. Insp. D. C. MacDonald prosecuted on behalf of the Police.

Au Man-do, of 70, Connaught Road West, said that on January 1 the defendant called at his shop and ordered 15 bags of rice. It was agreed that it should be a cash deal and that the defendant should send his own coolies to take delivery of the rice.

The rice was duly delivered and witness called at defendant's shop later in the day to collect payment. Defendant, however, was out when

witness called upon that occasion and also upon subsequent occasions when witness called. On January 12, witness again called at defendant's shop only to find that the place was empty, the entire contents having been removed during the night. Witness reported the matter to the Police and a warrant was issued against the defendant.

To the Magistrate: I have known the defendant for several years. Continuing, witness said that he found the defendant some days later and took him to his shop. Defendant said that he could not pay for the rice and the Police were "phoned for" and the defendant was arrested.

The Wrong Court.

His Worship: I cannot see where evidence of obtaining goods by means of a trick comes in. The defendant orders goods and obtains them. Instead of taking action in the Summary Court, the complainant takes out a warrant. (To complainant): You have come to the wrong place; your remedy lies in the Civil Court; the charge against the defendant is dismissed.

A second charge, one of obtaining a quantity of fresh vegetables by false pretences, was admitted, Mr. Schofield entering a conviction and sentencing the defendant to three months' hard labour.

MOB OUTRAGE.

(Continued from Page 1.)

was also broken into by the mob which continued the work of desecration, breaking up the altar, tearing up surplices and destroying papers, books and furniture. The action of the mob in offering girls for sale and compelling girls to proceed to houses of ill-fame, is vouched for by Father Garcia and others. This crowd became menacing and eventually took possession of the orphanage, looting, commencing shortly afterwards.

The Fathers and Sisters, seeing that they could do nothing to calm the mob in the temper it then showed, decided that flight was the wisest course and they made good their escape by means of a secret door of which the crowd had no knowledge.

Other Places Looted.

About six o'clock the same evening the French Convent of Sainte Enfantie at Foochow was similarly entered by the mob which broke the windows, smashed the property and generally looted the place. A certain amount of trouble appears to have been experienced by the sisters in making good their escape but they were eventually allowed to join the Spanish Fathers and Sisters.

On arrival at Pagoda anchorage, (the port of Foochow), the missionaries still thought that there might be a refuge for them with Father Benedict, a Spanish priest there, and that there would be no need to board the "Haiching" there. But they found that his Mission also had been looted and they had no alternative but to leave. Foochow, thankful that the "Haiching" had arrived so opportunely.

The crowd, according to the refugees, did not confine their attention to the institutions already mentioned. They had heard, they stated yesterday, that there had been systematic looting of all foreign establishments. The American Protestant mission, the Anglo-Chinese Girls' School, the Catholic Seminary, hospital and shops controlled by Europeans were attacked and looted. Considerable damage was done at all these places.

Police "Help" Unavailing.

It should also be mentioned that at Foochow efforts were made to obtain some form of protection from the Police. Some Police guards were sent to protect the building but their presence had little or no effect in quelling the crowd. The Y.M.C.A. at Foochow is also reported to have been looted.

The refugees arriving yesterday said that they had heard that during the trouble at Foochow one American Protestant missionary had been manhandled by the crowd and had some of her clothing torn from her back.

Crisis At Amoy.

With the departure from Foochow, the troubles of the missionaries were not ended. Some of the sisters from the Pagoda anchorage mission had brought with them certain of the girls in their charge. Unknown to either themselves or to the officers, certain of the agitators from the place who had led the agitation which had resulted in the looting, had concealed themselves on board and immediately the ship arrived at Amoy assumed a high handed and bullying manner, showing insolence to everyone. Planting themselves on the gangway, they "refused" to "allow" passengers to leave the board.

Their attitude was not taken seriously until some of their members who had gone ashore and spread stories with the usual distortions and complete lies as to what was supposed to have happened at Foochow. The result was that their own ranks were strengthened by students from ashore supported by a mob which grew into a crowd of some 6,000 people.

Consuls and Officials Unheeded.

By the time that the British, American and French consuls arrived, matters began to look very black, the students having adopted an even more threatening manner, secure in the knowledge that they were backed up by a mob only too ready to riot. The demands made were that the Chinese girls brought down from the Pagoda anchorage mission should be given to them and that Father Benedict, from that Mission should also accompany them.

The arrival of a Chinese official and also two Chinese naval officers and a party of Chinese bluejackets did nothing to help matters. The students and mob to them or to the Consuls. They simply yelled in their faces, according to the evidence of eye-witnesses.

The situation looked so serious that at one time there was talk of sending a wireless for a gunboat, but eventually it was

CLUB MURDER.

JURY FIND PRISONER "NOT GUILTY."

INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE.

The case in which a Chinese stood charged with the murder of the caretaker of a seamen's club in Kowloon City was concluded before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) at the Supreme Court yesterday afternoon, the jury, without leaving the Court, returning a verdict of "not guilty."

Upon the jury's decision being announced, the Attorney-General informed his Lordship that he had very carefully considered the case before returning an indictment, but after due consideration had come to the conclusion that there was insufficient evidence for the case to go before a jury.

In ordering the prisoner's discharge, his Lordship said that he fully agreed with the observations of the Attorney-General. The whole of the afternoon was occupied by the final speeches of defending counsel (Mr. Somerset Fitzroy) and the Attorney-General (Sir Joseph Kemp, K.C.) the former urging that the Crown had brought insufficient evidence upon which to convict the accused.

His Lordship, who summed up at some length, pointed out that there was nothing consistent in the evidence with prisoner having committed the murder. True, there was a certain amount of circumstantial evidence, but there was nothing definite to connect prisoner with the crime. The evidence only brought prisoner into the neighbourhood of the act, and unless the jury were satisfied beyond reasonable doubt, they could not convict the prisoner.

SCIENTIFIC FILM SHOW.

A special scientific film will be shown, under the auspices of the University Medical Society, at the School of Anatomy (at the University) at 6 p.m. to-morrow.

Mr. E. Stuhlmecher of Messrs. P. Beiersdorf and Co., A.G., Hamburg (manufacturing chemists) is giving the display, in conjunction with Mr. R. Ummuss of the China Export-Import and Bank Co. of Asiatic Building, the local agents.

All medical practitioners, nurses and others interested have been invited to be present at what promises to be a very interesting display.

Although the films are of an educational nature, some of the parts will be too technical for the layman. There are four films, three being strictly medical while the other deals with adhesive plaster bandages. The performance will last 50 minutes.

A second display will be given on Monday at 8 p.m. to the Chinese Medical Association at their premises in the Bank of Canton Building.

Produced in Berlin and Hamburg these films have been favourably commented upon when shown recently in the Dutch East Indies, Malaya, Peking, Shanghai, Canton (Kwang Chow Hospital), etc.

The "China Mail" is requested to inform those who should have received invitations but may not have done so through inadvertence, to be present.

agreed that the demands should be met and Father Benedict and the three children left the ship with the students.

Attempts to Board. Some of the student agitators from ashore during the trouble made endeavours to board the vessel but were prevented by the officers of the vessel. When an attempt was made to gain the bridge of the ship, Captain Stewart took prompt action, the officers securing the bridge against the crowd and arming the officers to resist an attack.

With the departure of Father Benedict matters were not immediately settled. Demands that the Fathers and Sisters should be set ashore also were not complied with and eventually the "Haiching" was able to leave for Hong Kong.

A certain amount of trouble was experienced on board after leaving owing to the omission of Swatow from the voyage. The position was explained and an assurance given that passengers wishing to land there would be despatched there from Hong Kong. Among these passengers were disbanded soldiers returning to Swatow and Canton. During their enforced stay here they are being looked after by the local Police authorities.

The names of the American Dominican Fathers who were also obliged to leave Foochow (they had only been there a few days), are Rev. Fr. H. A. Burke, Rev. Fr. J. M. Barrett, Rev. Fr. Robt. E. Brennan, Rev. Fr. W. F. Cassidy, Rev. Fr. F. A. Gordon.

The following Spanish Dominican Fathers were on board: Rev. Fr. V. Garcia, Rev. Fr. A. de Celis, Rev. Fr. A. Luis, Rev. Fr. M. Calve, Rev. Fr. R. Gujano.

ANOTHER WARNING.

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measures to ensure, if necessary, the defence of Shanghai, and adds that the French Government have this view.—Reuter.

BRITISH ACTION.

Home Press Comment.

London, Jan. 19.

The British policy of using all force necessary to defend British interests in China in the event of the Chinese rejection of peaceful proposals is warmly endorsed by the newspapers.

The "Daily Telegraph" diplomatic correspondent while counselling against taking an exaggerated view of the situation is of the opinion that the future outlook obviously depends largely, if not entirely, on the way in which the Chinese authorities treat the British disposition to enter into negotiations on all outstanding matters. It says that the Government is compelled to come to the conclusion that the protection of a large scattered population against a possible outbreak, whether by mob or by ill-disciplined irregulars, necessitates the concentration of all such British forces as can be made available in a reasonable time, but the employment of force is strictly limited to a defensive role.

It says that lest it be supposed that Britain is pursuing an isolated policy, it may be said they have had active conversation with the representatives of other Powers interested in the safety of foreign lives and interests in China.

Fresh Instructions.

The "Daily Telegraph" understands that as a result of Monday's momentous Cabinet meeting, fresh instructions have been sent to Sir Miles Lampson and Mr. O'Malley. The latter is to continue discussions with Mr. Chen in the hope of reaching a satisfactory understanding as to the middle and upper Yangtze but the outlook is hardly promising, and Mr. Chen and his colleagues must realise there is now a limit to the concessions which Britain can be expected to make. The paper thinks it would be incredible for any other great Pacific Powers to hold back, but if any Power were not conscious of its responsibilities and were unwilling fully to shoulder them, Britain certainly would shoulder her share.

The "Daily Telegraph" in a leader says the plain, glaring truth is the Cantonese Government has unchained a devil that is hopelessly beyond their control. It is some satisfaction to record that this fact now appears to be firmly grasped, with all its implications, by the British Government.

Japan's Interest. The "Morning Post" insists that the Kuomintang is influenced from Moscow, and alludes to the unwieldiness of the British making a stand at Hankow, over 600 miles from the sea, but rejoices at the evidence that the Government intends to stand by its rights and will defend its subjects' interests at Shanghai.

The paper adds that in defence it is evident also we shall have the co-operation of our old allies, the Japanese, who feel themselves equally threatened with ourselves. Such other Powers as care to join in the defence of elementary rights will be welcome, but whatever others do, there is no intention to haul down the British flag at Shanghai. This is a quarrel forced upon us, and, if the Chinese Nationalists would only see it, they are making an unwilling enemy of a willing friend. Of all the foreign Powers, Britain has the least desire for territorial aggrandisement in China. On the contrary, Russia, which is driving the Cantonese against us, is notoriously ambitious of bringing the Chinese Empire under her influence and control.

The British Liberal paper, the "Daily News," says that while it is certain that the other Powers will endeavour to avoid embroilment in a violent clash, it may be taken for granted that Britain can count on reasonable co-operation should the lives of foreigners be jeopardised.

It adds that of course developments will depend entirely on the reception accorded to the British offer to negotiate.

The Voice of the Mob. The "Daily Express" which prints a long cable from Mr. Eugene Chen, comments on it editorially. It says that Mr. Chen's Oriental voice is one thing but a howling fanatic mob behind him is another. The first thing Mr. Chen's friends must understand is that the British will not yield to violence, and that the cessation of violence against our nationals is an essential preliminary to negotiation.

The "Daily Express" Paris correspondent, says that Lord Crewe lengthily conferred on the Chinese situation with M. Briand, who stated that France was prepared to co-operate fully with Britain in any necessary steps to defend Shanghai from attack.

It is stated that volunteers and naval forces are sufficient to defend the French Concession and these have been put in the charge of the French Consul with full authority to co-operate with British commandants.—Reuter.

The Test.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

Public opinion here as represented by practically all newspaper comments shares the view of the

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, JANUARY 20, 1927, 10.30 a.m.

Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	State Brokers' Share & Bond Society.
T.T. on London	111 3/4	111 3/4	111 3/4
T.T. on Shanghai	79 3/4	79 3/4	nom.
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1110 b 1110	1110 b	1110 b
do. London	1118 a (12 3/4)	—	117 1/2 a
Chartered Bank	221 a	221 a.	—
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	231 a	232 a.	—
do. C.	217 3/4 a	217 3/4 a.	—
P. & O. Bank	84 a	810 a.	76 a
Bank of East Asia	84 a.	80 a.	—
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	655 b	640 b 660 a	640 a
China Underwriters	145 a.	140 a	1,10 a
North China Insurance.	1145 a.	140 a.	—
Union Insurance	285 a & sa	284 b	287 a
Yangtze Insurance	\$43 M. n.	40 a.	—
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	200 b.	200 b.	—
H.K. Fire Insurance	615 b	615 b.	615 b.
Shipping.			
Douglases	30 b	30 b	30 b
Hongkong Steamboats	25 a	25 1/2 a	25 a
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	110 a	24 a	12 a
Indo-China (Pref)	32 b	30 a.	30 a.
do. (Def.)	42 b.	40 a.	40 a.
Shell Transports	931 b.	96 a.	98 a.
Star Ferries	58 1/2 a	58 1/2 b	58 1/2 b
Water-boats	15 b	15 a	16 a
Refineries.			
China Sugars	21 b 22 a	21 b 22 a	21 a
Malayan Sugars	36 a	35 a	36 a.
Mining.			
Benguets	130 a	—	—
Kailan Mining Ad.	38 1/2 a.	42 1/6 a.	40 1/2 a
Langkats (Combined)	25 a	25 a.	25 a
do. (Single)	12 1/2 a.	12 a.	—
Shanghai Exploration	14 1/2 a.	5 a.	—
Shanghai Loan	78 a.	8 a.	—
Rails	4 1/2 a.	340 b.	3 1/2 a.
Tronoh Mines	21 1/2 a.	21 1/2 b.	—
Ural Caspians	81 a.	—	—
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & W. Wharves	110 b 113 a	112 1/2 b	113 a
H.K. & W. Docks	40 a.	40 a 41 a	40 b.
Hongkows	1165 a	—	165 a.
New Engineerings	16 a	6 a	6 a.
Shanghai Docks	1110 a	110 a	110 a
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels	730 b 745 a	730 b 750 a	740 b
	17 1/2 sa	17 1/2 sa	—
Hongkong Lands	55 b 55 1/2 a	55 b 55 1/2 sa	55 b
Hongkong Realty	6 a	6 a	6 a
H.K. Territorial	3 a.	3 a.	3 a
Humphreys Estates	14 a.	14 a.	13 1/4 b
Prince's Building	80 a	87 a.	—
Rural Lands	1 1/2 a	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	1910 a	8 1/2 a	8 1/2 a
Oriental	1234 a	250 a	234 a
Shanghai Cottons (old)	154 a	54 a	54 a.
do. (new)	77 a	28 a	28 a.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ice	5 a.	4 a	5 a
Cements (comb.)	7 1/2 a	7, 90 a	6 1/2 a
do. (old)	7 1/2 a	7 1/2 a	7 1/2 a
do. (new)	134 b	1 a	1 1/2 a
China Buses	14 a	—	—
China Lights (comb.)	14 a	14 b	14 b
do. (old)	11 b	10 b	11 b
do. (new)	73 b	8 b	8 b
China Prov.	4 1/2 a	5 a	4 1/2 a
Dairy Farms	18 1/4 a	18 1/4 a	18 1/4 a
Der A. Wing	6 a	5 a	—
Hongkong Amusements	16 b	16 b	15 1/2 b
H.K. Constructions	2 b	2 b	2 1/2 b
Hongkong Electric	19 b	59 b & sa	59 a
H.K. Ropes (old)	10 a	10 a	9 1/2 a
do. (new)	5 a.	5 a	5 a
Hongkong Tramways	22 1/2 a	22.10 b	22.10 b
Lane, Crawford	8 a.	7 a	7 a
Macao Electric	35 a.	—	—
at Mackintosh	19 1/2 a.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	9 b	15 b
Peak Trams (old)	15 1/2 a.	15 b	15 a
do. (new)	7 1/2 a.	8 a	7 1/2 a
Sinceres	9 1/2 a.	9.10 b	9 a
Singapore Tram	131 a.	101 b	111 a.
Taxis	2 a.	75 c b	75 Cts a
United Asbestos	—	—	—
do. (Founders)	—	600 a	—
do. (Ordinary)	20 a	18 a.	12 b
Watsons	13 a	13 1/4 a	12 a
W.M. Powells	6 1/2 a	5 b	5 a
H.K. Telephones	334 a	340 b	3 1/2 a

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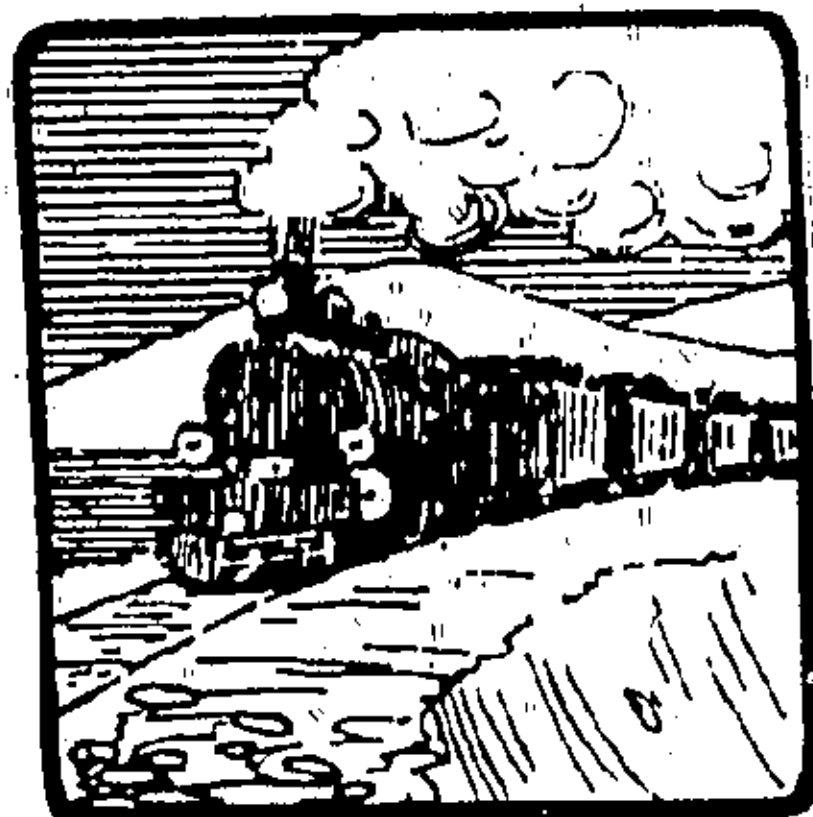
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The December number of "Drawing and Design" is worth keeping by both the artist and the layman.

Published monthly at 1/- by "The Studio" Ltd., at No. 44, Leicester Square London, this magazine is beginning to fill a want—the want of those who always have a hankering to take up drawing, sketching or painting but feel either that they "have not the natural ability" or "lack the time for it."

There are two supplements to the December issue, viz., "Mother and Child," a drawing by Bernard Meninsky and another drawing by Claude Lorraine. These are worth keeping.

Printed on art paper and interspersed with technical and general illustrations, each chapter ought to be carefully studied.

Art students will find much that is helpful, but those not actively engaged in art work will also glean much useful information.

Some of the chapters, like "Anatomy and Construction" by Vernon Blake, are intended for those who take up drawing. But informative and authoritative treatises on Modern English Artists and London Exhibitions are more general in treatment.

NEW BOOKS.

NOVELS THROUGH LONDON PUBLISHERS.

Among recent books received from London publishers are the following:

"It Happened in Peking," by Louise Jordan Milne (Hodder and Stoughton) deals with the Peking of 1906 and the adventures of an English Duchess, a Chicago man of the "up and down" type, the widow of an American millionaire, and a charming English girl—all caught, like rats in a trap, during the Boxer rebellion. One of the most absorbing features of the book is the intimate description of the Empress Dowager, "Zu Hsi," the regnant Empress of China and the acknowledged ruler of the Chinese Empire.

"The Smugglers' Cave," by George A. Birmingham (Hodder and Stoughton), opening with the visit to a remote village of an elderly gentleman in search of local colour for a novel, develops, through the activities of an energetic lady with a taste for theatricals, and an ink-smeared civil to all possible patrons into a pungent which excited England from end to end, set every club in London gossiping, inspired a spate of articles in the daily papers, gravely affected the reputation of oldest and most honoured families and went near to wreck the prospects of one of our historical political parties.

"The Pendulum," by Mrs. Burnett-Smith (Hodder and Stoughton) is an intimate and considered study of the growth, development and extraordinary phases of experience through which so many individuals and families had to pass during the most testing years of British history. The "Pendulum" draws a relentless and arresting picture of the conflict between the things which can be chosen, and the things which remain. It presents a vivid, pathetic and finished picture of modern conditions, presented from the woman's point of view.

"Master Vorst," by "Seamark" (Hodder and Stoughton) bears the stamp of an author who knows how to shock and thrill his hearers into a state of panicky fright. The Death Maker (presiding genius at a germ-farm crawling alive with all the most hideous diseases; culture live and real to be altogether comfortable, particularly when we are informed that he has cultivated enough sudden death in his germ farm to wipe out London in a night and all Britain in a week!

Other books received from Hodder and Stoughton include "The Northern Tramp," by Edgar Wallace; "Jim Brent," by Sapper; "The Actor in Dickens," by J. B. Van Merongen; "The Red Ledger," by Frank L. Packard; "The Deep Seam," by Jack Bethas; "The

COMMERCIAL ART.

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HINTS ON ADVERTISING.

Most attractively got up, the December number of "Commercial Art" is both instructive and entertaining. It should prove useful to all business people.

This special Christmas number is by no means a trade journal. It is also a work of real art. The chapter on the comparative value of modes of publicity should be kept handy as a useful guide.

That very intriguing subject of the relative values of illustrations and letterpress is expertly dealt with.

Suitably and prettily illustrated throughout, each chapter is a brief lecture in itself. The reader is initiated into the mysteries of Christmas shopping in London and then told what to do about toys.

Pride of place is given to "Photogravure and the reproduction of Commercial Illustrations." Under "Making the Empire Come Alive," W. S. Crawford deals in detail with the series of posters issued by the Empire Marketing Board. A great deal has been said about the posters and the reproductions of the set, to be found in this number, are alone worth the price. "Commercial Art" is issued monthly at No. 44, Leicester Square, at one shilling.

A copy of the "First Mainz Cicero, 1455, made up entirely from sheets of the original edition without any admixture of those of the following year, realised £700 at Messrs. Sotheby's.

Planter of the Tree," by Ruby M. Ayres.

JOHN LONG'S PUBLICATIONS.

The following have been received from John Long Ltd.:

"It Came To Pass," by Countess Cathcart concerns a young, fascinating married woman of good birth and the vicissitudes she encounters before she attains her heart's desire. "Countess Cathcart's" first novel ("The Woman Tempted") created for her not only a big British reading public but a large American audience. In this, her second book, she has indeed made a notable advance upon her previous achievement.

"Second Sight," by Temple Lane, the author further enhances his reputation among the leading novelists of the day. It unfolds the story of a hard-headed and self-made man who encountered circumstances which would not bend; who was brought to a pause by forces at which he scoffed; and who, with others, after playing their parts against the background of three countries, finally faced their test and crisis of their lives in the solitude of Nature's fastnesses.

"The Slapped Woman," by Frederick Brock is the story of a life of a man who takes a violent dislike to a man who has spent much of his time in the wilder places of the earth and who finally masters her—not before she has received punishment at his hands. How an ill-judged step was followed by events of the utmost consequence to herself and to two other girls, one of whom is her dearest friend, is unfolded in a tenses dramatic manner.

"Fruits of Desire" is a new novel in the best E. W. Saville manner. The plot is unravelled with free and fearless hand and may be regarded as one of the author's most unconventional tales, the moral of which is that people make their own hell on earth. Every character is real and every episode convincing.

"There Lived a Lady," although not without pathos and a hint of tragedy, is well endowed with Emmeline Morrison's characteristic touches of humour. The story, which is one of intense power, concerns the exiling of a husband who has deliberately contracted a loveless marriage and details in an interesting manner how the wheels of destiny move to their appointed end through the medium of a girl who innocently helps to bring husband and wife together.

Other books received from John Long Ltd include "Written in Sand," by Helen V. Saville; "The Devastating Man," by Arthur Applin; "The Stronger Hand," by John Goodwin.

FIFTH YEAR.

THE "CHINA JOURNAL" FOR JANUARY.

IMPORTANT ARTICLES.

With the January issue the China Journal begins its fifth year of publication. That this magazine, has met with marked success—and this in spite of the adverse conditions which have prevailed in China during the last few years—is unquestioned, since it fills a need in the Orient for an interpreter of things Chinese to the Western world. The current number gives an account of how and why the Journal was founded and also contains interesting accounts of those responsible for its coming into being. We learn that similar biographical sketches of contributors will form a feature of the magazine from now on and we look forward to forthcoming issues since most of the contributors to the Journal are specialists in their line and it is always interesting to read about people who do things.

The Journal features a number of interesting and important articles this month. George Kin Leung's contribution "Chinese Drama" will appeal to many readers. Other articles are: "A Note on the Unification of the Units of Measurements in the United States, the British Empire and in China," and an addition to Mr. A. M. Tracey Woodward's "Notes on Minted Coins of China" which appear in the Journal from time to time.

Dr. Ernest Carroll Faust's timely "Fresh-Water Fish as a Source of Human Parasitic Infection" is of great value and will be read with careful consideration by residents of the Far East who realise the precautions necessary to avoid infection from improper food.

The pictures of Formosa in the travel section will lead the reader immediately to learn what Mr. J. A. Jackson has to say of his walking tour of Taiwan, or, as it is known to most people, Formosa.

The Shooting and Fishing section of the Journal has become very popular with sportsmen. If one may judge from the interesting correspondence published from time to time in the magazine, this month there are notes regarding shooting to be had in the neighbourhood of Shanghai, and also regarding game in Manchuria. And speaking of Manchuria, there is another story by Mr. V. de Franck in this number, telling how he stalked a capercaille. The reader's interest will be captured immediately so graphic is the author's description of the early morning hunt.

The other departments of the magazine contain notes of interest on Science, Education, The Kennel, and The Garden, and a book review section.

RECENT NOVELS.

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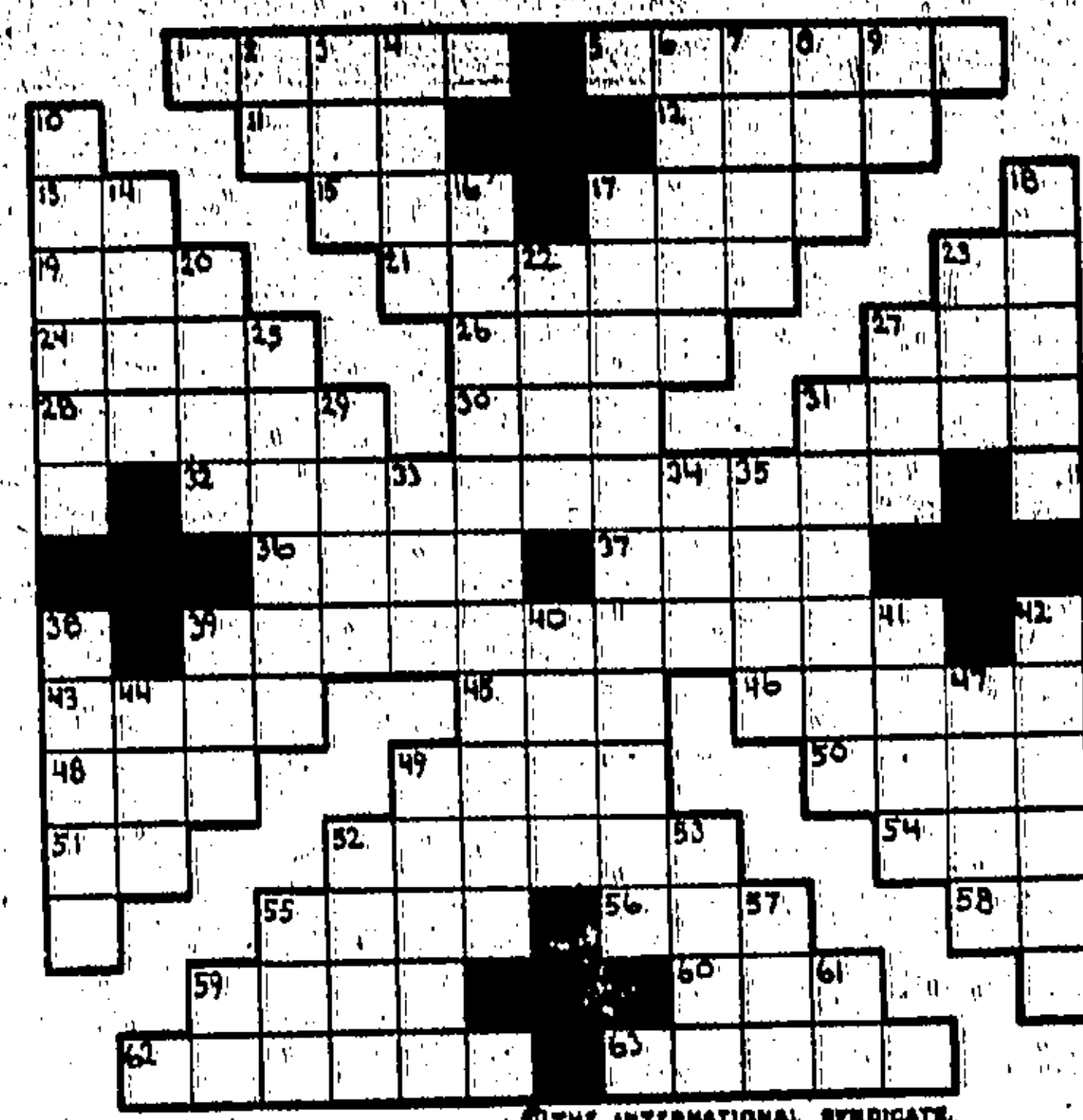
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Unsolved murders occur, there are knockings on the wall in the middle of the night; surreptitious comings and goings; a beautiful lady in the meshes of a criminal gang, detectives, crooks and illicit diamond buyers in a fantastic medley, which will rob the bedtime reader of many hours of rest.

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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-To trifle away time
- 5-Accommodate
- 11-Brazilian coin
- 12-To speak imperfectly
- 13-Long meter (abbr.)
- 15-Single
- 17-Fine earth
- 19-Purpose
- 21-Dexterous
- 23-Height (abbr.)
- 24-To sow
- 26-U. S. coin
- 27-The few of the waves
- 28-Part of the leg (pl.)
- 30-A time-period
- 31-A knot in a tree
- 32-Beneath
- 33-Cloacal
- 37-An extinct European ox
- 39-Substances for cleaning the teeth
- 40-Chief in size
- 42-French for "yes"
- 43-A two-masted vessel
- 45-An ending of feminine nouns
- 49-Girl's name

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 50-A pool; pond
- 51-Right hand (abbr.)
- 52-Parad down
- 54-Armed conflict
- 55-The devil (Scott.)
- 56-Turkish governor
- 57-Title of address for men (abbr.)
- 59-A plant
- 60-Combining form. (abbr.)
- 62-To state
- 63-Mind

VERTICAL

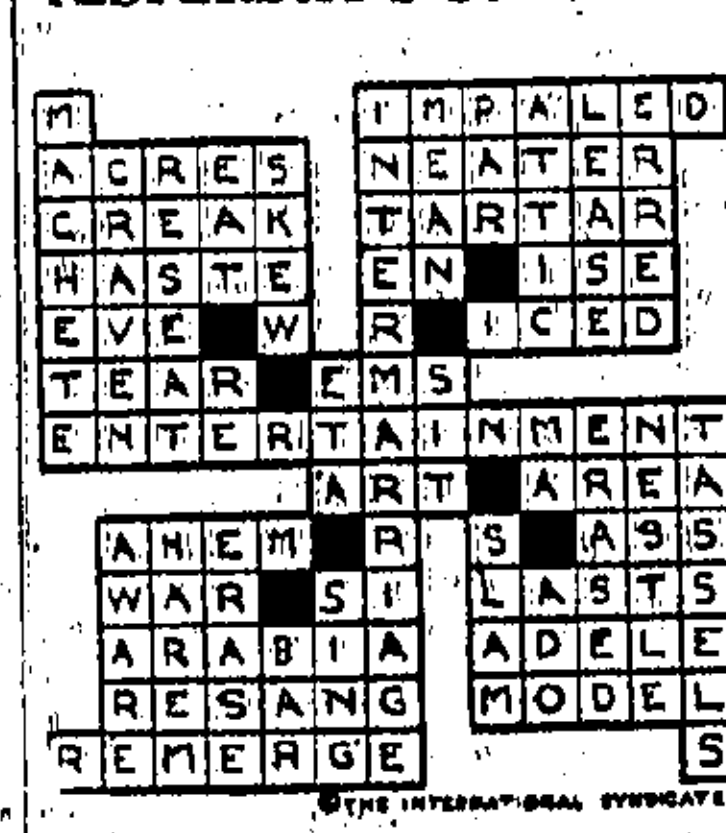
- 2-Country of Asia (abbr.)
- 3-A sign of the zodiac
- 4-A cord or string
- 6-To utter abruptly
- 7-Catalogue
- 8-Suffix denoting an agent
- 9-Gloria Patri (abbr.)
- 10-N. W. territory of U. S.
- 14-Bearing
- 15-Usual
- 17-Changed the qualities of
- 18-Country of Europe
- 20-Recognition

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 22-A Persian fairy
- 23-Pronoun
- 25-To make deeper
- 27-A province of S. W. Morocco
- 29-To scrutinize
- 31-To befit
- 33-Part of verb "to be" (old form)
- 34-S. W. State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 35-To feed under
- 36-A polishing material
- 38-Pref. Apart
- 40-Coal
- 41-Worry (colloq.)
- 42-A fruit
- 44-A result of combustion
- 47-To grow
- 48-The treating of a sale
- 52-Withered
- 53-Precious
- 55-E. State of U. S. (abbr.)
- 57-Yes
- 59-A European silver coin (abbr.)
- 61-A New York State (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



"The Garden of Allah," with a girl as the central figure, breaking away from a life with a straightlaced religious sect, to spend an almost limitless income among the lecherous and indolent of the fashionable world.

She is in fact the final cog in a machine of vengeance perfected by a Zulu queen, who thus squares accounts for the betrayal of her daughter by a white man.

Mary certainly has many loves and in a conventional world, she would have been either "Fast" or "Loose." Without losing her charm, character, or sweet simplicity, she gives herself in succession to a number of men and then obeying the psychic injunctions of the Zulu queen, casts them aside. Mary finishes in a convent, which serves her right.

It happens to be quite a good tale and explains at great length that white people living in South Africa, have nothing else to do but play tennis, dance and go riding all night. But the authoress has to be thanked also for introducing a really novel character, who in quite a sweet way says such things as "You dream something made and it's psycho-analysis; you change your mind and it's dual personality; you love your dogs and it's thwarted maternity; you let a man kiss you and it's sex appeal. Well I suppose it is."

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THE WAY THE WORLD WAGS.

The house on the Island of Aix, off the coast near Rochelle, which Napoleon occupied after Waterloo, will be offered for sale by public auction.

The Roumanian Legation at Paris denies the rumour of the abdication of the King of Roumania. The health of the King has much improved, stated an official.

A decrease of \$7,792 in the 1926 collections for the Metropolitan Hospital Sunday Fund, which amounted to \$87,049, was reported to the annual meeting of the fund.

Some lives have been lost and thousands of acres of grass and standing crops have been destroyed by bush fires in New South Wales. Splendid organisation and great individual heroism have marked the grim fight that is being waged against the advance of the flames.

In a free vote on the Legitimacy Bill the House of Commons negatived by 208 votes to 101 an amendment to the provision that nothing in the measure would operate to legitimate a person whose father or mother was married to a third person when the illegitimate child was born. The bill was read a third time.

Such progress has been made by the Imperial War Graves Commission, that there is a confident expectation that the Commission's work will be completed, by the end of 1928. Every week about thirty bodies of British soldiers are still being found in France, mainly by farmers reclaiming the land, by builders restoring the devastated areas, and by people searching the battlefields for old metal.

During the coal stoppage, Colonel Lane-Fox stated, 6,522, 822 tons of coal were imported from Germany at an average c.i.f. value of £2 1s. 8d.

Cross-Channel passengers by the air routes were 48 per cent. more numerous in the first six months of 1926 than in the corresponding period of 1925. Only four accidents involving the death of passengers have occurred in the course of flying 6,000, 000 miles during the last seven years.

Earl Russell, in the House of Lords, hoped that Lord Clarendon, chairman of the British Broadcasting Corporation, would take some steps to deal with the remarkable efforts to teach the public how to pronounce words in a way that would shock a good many of their lordships.

Awards to hospitals and convalescent homes amounting to £284,750 were made at a King Edward's Hospital Fund meeting at which the Prince of Wales presided. In spite of there being more surpluses and fewer deficits than in any year since the war, his Royal Highness said, the hospitals wanted as much from the fun or even more, as their work was growing quite as fast as their income.

Replying to a debate upon necessitous areas, Mr. Chamberlain said that the question was capable of solution, not by special grants based on temporary circumstances, but by, perhaps, a better allocation of the burden between unemployment insurance and the Poor Law authorities. A new allocation of such assistance as was given by the Exchequer on permanent lines would, he believed bring some relief to these areas.

A fire at the workshops of the Midland Junction Railway, West, ern Australia, has caused damage estimated at between \$50,000 and \$100,000.

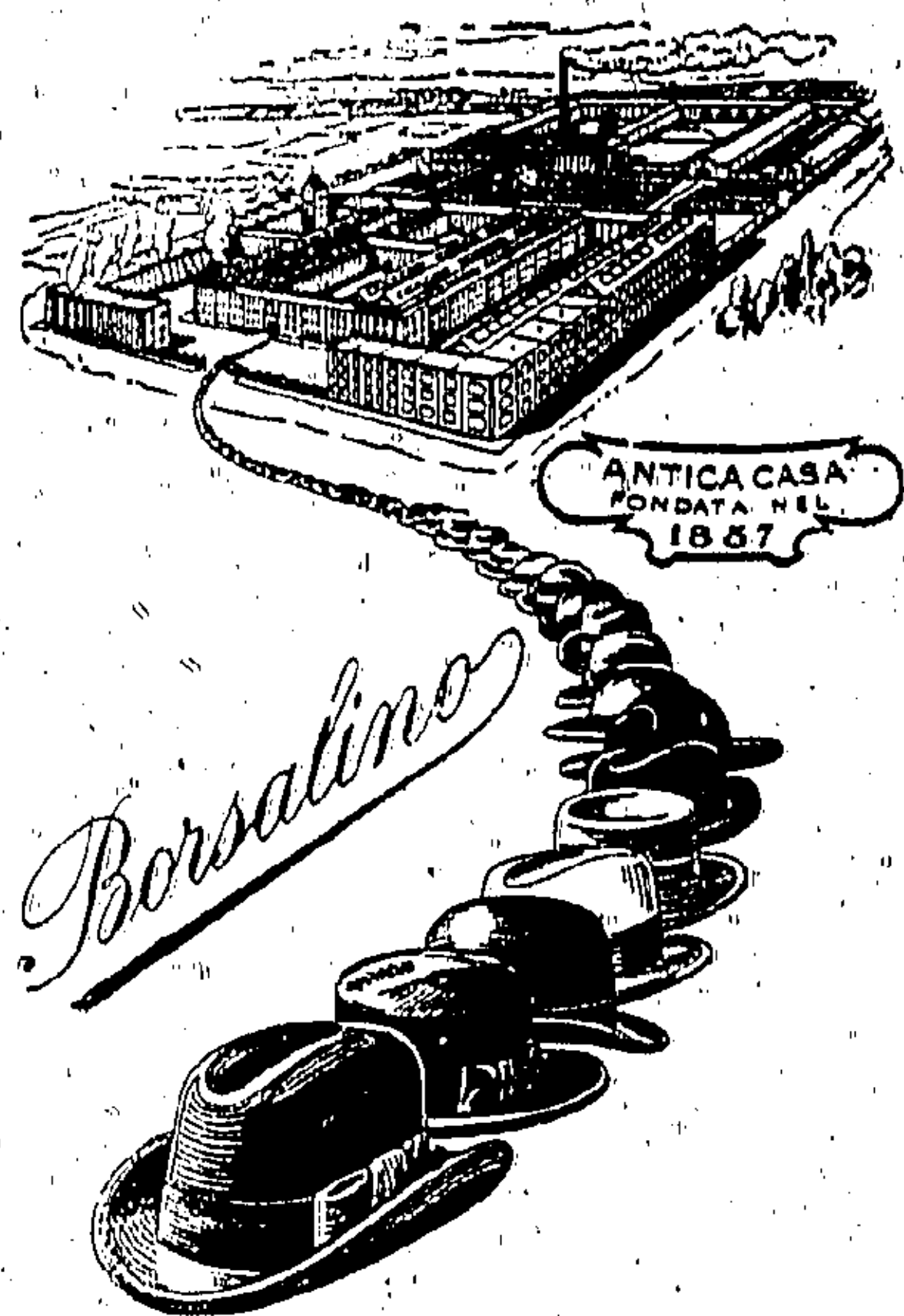
Using a bronchoscope through a throat incision, a Melbourne, Australia, specialist successfully operated on a four-year-old child, removing a peanut which had lodged in a lung five months ago.

The following estimates of this year's harvest in Argentina are issued by the Ministry of Agriculture: — Wheat, 5,860,000 tons; flax, 1,820,000 tons; oats, 1,137,000 tons; barley, 400,000 tons.

In the House of Lords, the Commons' amendments to the Sale of Food (Weights and Measures) Bill were accepted on the motion of Viscount Peel, who observed that the bill now pleased everybody, which was an extraordinary state of affairs.

Mr. Baldwin announced in the House of Commons that when legislation with regard to the King's new title was introduced this year, the opportunity would be taken of proposing that the title of Parliament should be altered to "the Parliament of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland."

Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., who was entertained at luncheon by the American Chamber of Commerce, expressed the opinion that in future industry in Britain would follow the line taken in the recent chemical merger. Some people deplored the new outlook in business as likely to injure the individuality of business, but those who were endeavouring to shirk it would find that, instead of approaching it in a scientific manner, they would be forced into it by panic or disaster.



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The Reversible Cape.



The season has shown a decided tendency to introduce capes and coats that may be worn inside out with equal smartness. The wrap which goes to the theatre may be worn upon different occasions and lend an air of newness upon several occasions. The sports coat, too, may serve two distinct purposes by appearing very different when turned inside out. The formal coat, likewise, may be one thing on the outside and when reversed appear entirely different.

The coat or cape which lends two entirely different appearances, is very important in the winter mode—particularly in furs.

The fur evening wrap that is of dark fur on one side may be surprisingly different upon the other side. For instance, the evening cape of fur worn by Natalie Kingston in her First National motion picture, "The Silent Lover," is of black Hudson seal upon one side with ermine used smartly on the other side. The cape, being interchangeable, gives Miss Kingston two very chic wraps of fur for formal occasions. It also provides the very successful combination of black and white.

Wraps need not combine themselves with other furs, but may introduce velvet and fur combinations, fur and lace, and fur and silks as well.

The daytime mode permits an even wider choice of combinations. The sports or street coat that is of one of the newer furs, such as

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way of trimming that does not glitter. Colours vary from the pastel tints to the striking combination of black and white.

In the mode for the mature woman jewels in striking designs find a great popularity in the autumn mode. Bodices frequently reflect a brilliancy of the stars in the concentrated loveliness of design in rhinestones and other jewels.

In the youthful mode, however, where simplicity is stressed, the gown glitters, but in a less luminous fashion. Crystal beads, strass, and pearls are used with the best results in outlining patterns of youthful distinction.

Formal gowns which glitter find crystal beads outlining a delicate design particularly effective. Pale rose crepe, embroidered in crystal beads in a design featuring points, is particularly smart at present—especially when it emphasises a normal waistline, slightly bloused.

Crystal embroidery is also interestingly used on the bodices of most of the chiffon frocks for the very young person who dances and goes to the theatre. They form a brilliant band across the shoulders and outline the pointed neck in front as well as back, or emphasise the lovely lines of a rounded neck.

Mary Brian, who wears a charming version of the youthful mode in the First National film "The Princess of Temples," has selected a dress of pastel tinted chiffon simply designed and beautifully embroidered in crystals on both skirt and bodice.

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Prohibition of exchange of clubbed letters between Hong Kong and the following countries: China, Netherland Indies, Federated Malay States and Straits Settlements which was to come into force on the 1st January, 1927, will not come into force until the 1st April, 1927.

On and after Sunday 16th January the Radio Counter on the 3rd Floor of the G.P.O. will be closed, and will be transferred together with the Radio Telegraph Office to the 1st Floor of the G.P.O. Building. The Counter at the Radio Telegraph Office will be open day and night for the acceptance of radio telegrams.

The entrance to the Building is at the Des Voeux Road—Pedder Street corner.
The doors will be closed after 10 p.m. but admittance may be obtained by ringing the night-bell.

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From	THURSDAY, JANUARY 20.	Per.
Shanghai	20.	Yingschow.
Australia and Manila	21.	Mishima Maru
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers, London)	21.	Kashmir
Shanghai	23rd Dec. and parcels 16th Dec.)	Kashgar.
Straits	22.	Delta.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22.		
Shanghai	22.	Newchwang.
Manila	22.	Pres. Madison
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	22.	Tenyo Maru.
Shanghai	22.	Newchwang.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23.		
Straits	23.	Sui Pang.
MONDAY, JANUARY 24.		
Straits	24.	Kitano Maru.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26.		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	26.	Pres. Jackson.

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Sam Shin & Wuchow	THURSDAY, JANUARY 20.	Per.	Time
Saigon	20.	Kochow	4.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 21.			
Japan	21.	Mishima Maru	9.30 a.m.
Java via Soerabaya	21.	Tianhak	10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	21.	Huihing	Noon
Manila	21.	Pres. Harce	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai & Japan	21.	Kashgar	5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius & S. Africa, Egypt, Marseilles via Marseilles—due Marseilles 19th Feb. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (22nd Jan.) 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	21.	Kashmir	
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22.			
Swatow	22.	Klungchow.	8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius & S. Africa	22.	Chicago Maru	12.30 p.m.
Haiphong	22.	Tonkin	1.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 12th Feb. & EUROPE via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia only.") Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	22.	Pres. Madison	5 p.m.
Swatow	22.	Yat-tung	5 p.m.
Straits	22.	Dolmny	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23.			
*Swatow and Bangkok	23.	Klungchow	8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	23.	Kaijo Maru	8.30 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

HIGH SPEED.

New Submarine Cable Invention.

A REMARKABLE ADVANCE.

London, Jan. 19.

A remarkable advance in submarine cable transmission was demonstrated before London representatives of the Press at the Eastern Extension offices this afternoon.
One of the recent outstanding developments has been what is known as "the loaded cable," whereby the capacity of lines is increased sixfold. The new invention, which was demonstrated to-day, is known as the "regenerator," which practically ensures automatic working throughout.

It enables several sections of cable to be worked simultaneously over long distances, thus dispensing with the time lost in re-transmission, and leading to a great increase in speed.
The telegraph clerk, instead of handling perforated tape, merely has the duty of attending to the proper working of the instrument.

The message is then recorded on the tape, the other end of which is a counterpart of the original in London. The tape is passed through a printing machine, affixed to the well-known form and is ready for delivery.

Tests between London and Capetown, a distance of 8,500 miles, showed that less than one minute was occupied in the whole process.

The Essence of the Invention.
The new invention has been applied at present on lines between London and Alexandria, and London and Capetown, and has been rendered possible by the introduction of instruments at the intermediate and terminal stations which re-form the distorted signals and pass them on practically perfect into the section, or in the case of the terminal into the perforator.

The essence of the new invention is that the motor which drives the transmitter in London is run in synchronism with all the other motors along the line. In the case of the Cape route, this necessitates thirteen motors which are synchronised by using signals sent by the transmitter at the sending end to control the motors of the instruments at the intermediate and terminal stations, thus avoiding the accumulated distortion which has sometimes resulted under the previous system under which the motors of the instruments were locally governed.

Further Proof.

At to-day's inspection special attention was devoted to the installation of the new system between London and Capetown. Congratulatory messages were exchanged between Sir John Denison Pender, Chairman of the Eastern and Associated Companies, and Mr. Lenton, Postmaster-General of the Union.

Sir John Pender, expressing appreciation of the cordial relations which have always existed between the Eastern Extension Co. and the Union Government, emphasised that the Eastern Extension Co.'s recognition of its responsibilities to the commercial community, and "the desirability" of placing the Motherland in communication with the Empire by continuous, secret and reliable communication, of which the introduction of this latest development, an invention of our own staff, is still further proof.

Mr. Lenton replied congratulating the Eastern Extension Co. on the successful introduction of the new system "which reduces transmission time over the cable to the absolute minimum."

For the Far East.

The two messages together totalled 370 words, and the time occupied in their complete disposal, including printing and delivery of the message in Capetown, and printing and delivery of the reply in London, was just ten minutes.

Following on this formal inauguration of the new system, an animated exchange of messages took place between Press representatives in London and Press

representatives in Capetown, replies to cablegrams being received in some cases in less than two minutes.

It is understood that the new system has proved so successful that arrangements are being made with South America. The system will then be extended to India and afterwards to Australia and the Far East.

It is expected that the system will be working to all parts by June next.

Cables and Wireless.

Sir John Denison Pender, Chairman of the Eastern Telegraph Co. received the Press representatives in a short speech of welcome.

At the subsequent luncheon, presided over by Mr. Denison Pender, Vice Chairman of the Eastern Telegraph Co. who, in a speech, emphasised that the past performances of the Eastern Telegraph Co. had only been rendered possible by the work of the large, able and devoted staff, adding, amid applause, that he had no fear for the future.

Cables, he said, talked incessantly, but were never heard. Referring to wireless, Mr. Denison Pender said: "I am not giving away an inch of advantage to our friends of the wireless—for they are our friends. They have brought us traffic."

"They may have taken some away, but we do not mind that. There is plenty of traffic in the world to fill both our coffers."

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Comic Interlude.

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In the course of the luncheon a message of greeting of 150 words was delivered within four minutes of despatch and was read to the gathering. The message was from Reuter's General Manager at Capetown and conveyed the good wishes of the journalists of the mother city of South Africa to their colleagues and friends in the mother city of the Empire.

The message added: "We can to-day hear you instantaneously. One day perhaps we shall have a glimpse of you as well."
To this admirable sentiment, an Australian pressman interjected, amid laughter, "God help you if you do."—Reuter.

SECRET WIRELESS.

PROGRESS OF OFFICIAL RESEARCHES.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

Official researches are in progress with a view to ensuring privacy for the wireless telephonic service which was recently inaugurated between England and America.

A special correspondent of the "Daily Mail" states that the main principle of these experiments consists in transmitting only certain essential vibrations of the human voice.

Others are not permitted to pass through the selective transmitters but can be restored at the receiving end.—British Wireless Service.

PRINCE AS GUEST.

Rugby, Jan. 19.

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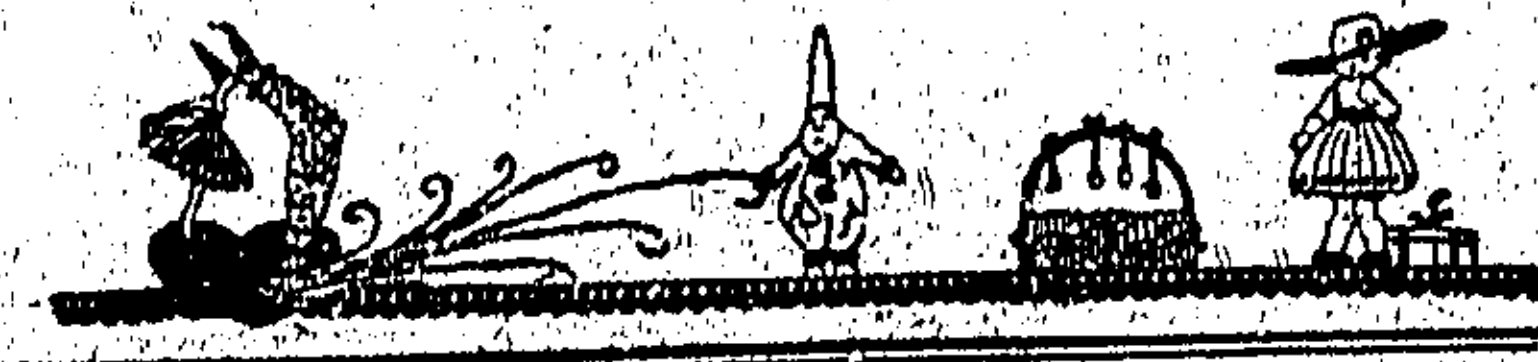
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